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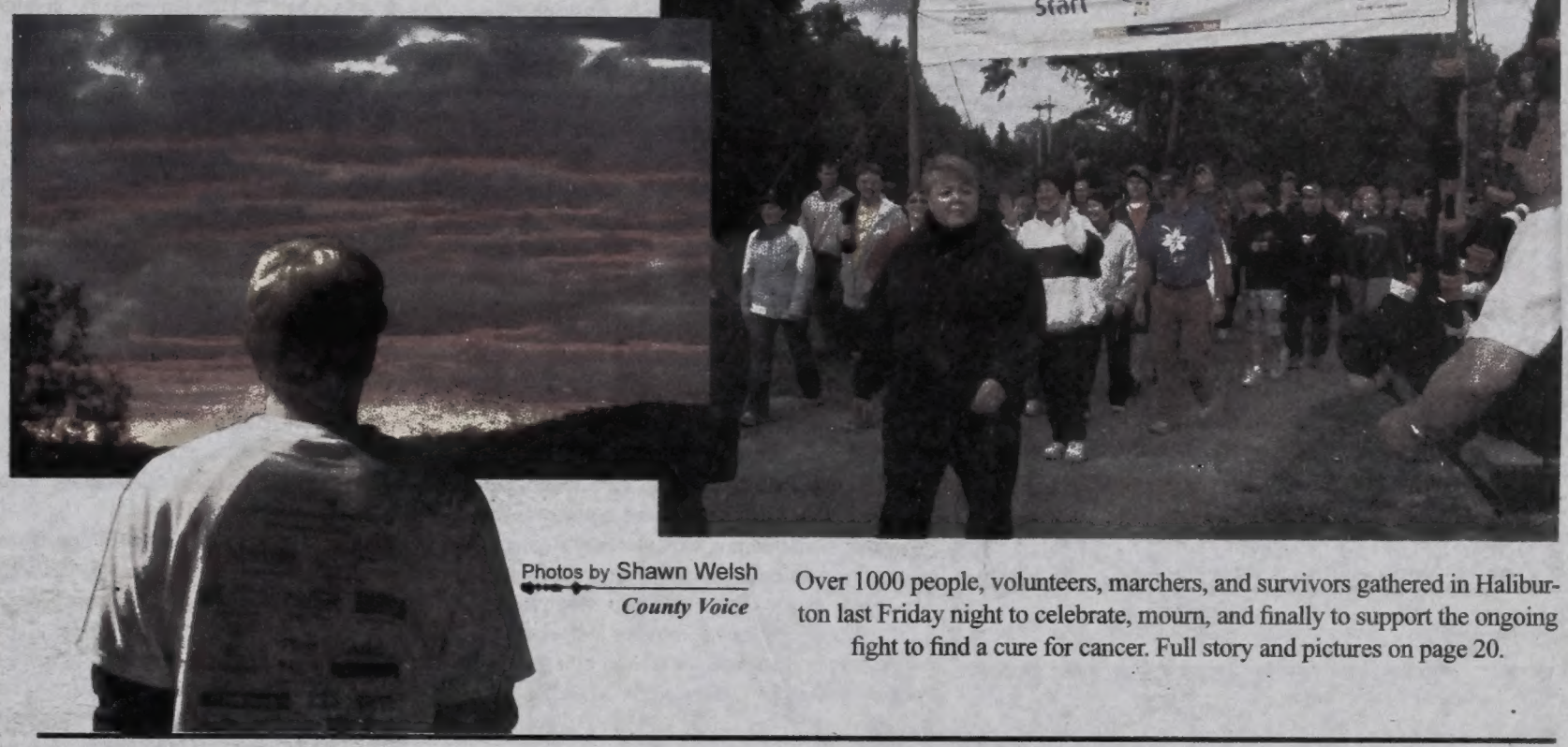


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*County Voice*

Over 1000 people, volunteers, marchers, and survivors gathered in Haliburton last Friday night to celebrate, mourn, and finally to support the ongoing fight to find a cure for cancer. Full story and pictures on page 20.

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# Devolin Steps into Airport Mix

Liz Danielsen
*Staff Reporter*

In a surprising move, Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock MP Barry Devolin has decided to step into the fray that revolves around the proposed construction of a new runway at the Stanhope Airport. Devolin has written to Algonquin Highlands Reeve Eleanor Harrison asking if she and her Council would consider taking a different approach.

Devolin acknowledged that the expansion of the airport had been the subject of much debate, disagreement and rancour that could lead to legal action. He also acknowledged that the rehabilitation of existing facilities did not seem to be at issue.

With this in mind Devolin wrote, "I would be pleased to ask the federal government to consider this project in two phases: the first dealing with the rehabilitation of existing facilities, and the second dealing with proposed expansion, including a second runway."

"Like you," he wrote, "I want to see shovels in the ground this summer. I don't need to remind you that the primary objective for stimulus spending is to get infrastructure dollars into local economies as quickly as possible."

He also wrote that he would hate to see a major project in Haliburton County delayed and a $2.5 million dollar investment from the federal and provincial governments lost. Devolin was clear in his reminder to Council that there is no guarantee that funding like this will be available again in the near future.

Devolin, saying that he believe it was his job as MP to support local governments and the priorities they identify, wrote, "I respectfully suggest that we move ahead immediately with what we can, and we continue to work on those elements of the project that have proved problematic."

During his discussion with County Voice Editor Stephen Patrick, Devolin questioned the importance of or need for municipal infrastructure to make money. He spoke about the fact that the County no longer has a rail system, that it has no natural gas systems or four lane highways, but it does have a working airport which is an asset that many Counties do not have and something that does, in some respects put Haliburton in an advantageous position.

Devolin spoke of the importance of maintaining and improving infrastructure over the years and emphasized the need to improve the facility as it stands. He said he was making this attempt to get the process back on track, rather than seeing an investment in municipal infrastructure disrupted by the infusion of lawyers. In essence he was saying 'let's get the existing infrastructure improved and have a discussion about the rest later.'

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## Fire Stations Could Close in Cardiff, Tory Hill and Highland Grove

This week the Station Commanders and Officers of the Highlands East Fire Department will be hearing recommendations that will inevitably streamline their department. While nothing is cast in stone at this point, the Council has received a number of fact based recommendations that form part of a Master Fire Plan document that will change the face of how fire protection services are delivered in the community.

Peter Corfield (Peter Corfield & Associates) presented the final master plan document to Council at their meeting last week. Council met with Corfield last month and were given an indication of the direction the

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"I believe that all of the stations, with the exception of Station Three represent a liability to the municipality." (Peter Corfield)

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# Council to Consider Dark Lake Development Proposal

Liz Danielsen
*Staff Reporter*

At long last an opportunity for a substantial development in the core of the community of Wilberforce may be at hand. Last week the Highlands East Council considered a proposal by Allan Clark of Vacation Investment Properties to redevelop the old veneer plant property on Pusey (Dark) Lake.

Clark purchased the property some time ago, and says he has been working on a development plan from the time of purchase. He told Council that he had completed an environmental impact study on the property (through Michalski Nielsen Associates from Bracebridge) which he proposed to present at their meeting in June.

According to Clark studies show that the development will meet all Ministry of Environment requirements and that he looks forward to receiving approval in principal from Council at their next meeting.

Clark, whose background includes developing shopping centres in urban environments, said that he decided to change his lifestyle and had developed a small cottage resort on Chandos Lake called the Harbour Hill Cottages. Clark is partnering with Ray Northey, who was instrumental in the construction of the Apsley (North Kawartha) Municipal Office and the Landing condominiums on Anstruther Lake.

> "There are still a number of hurdles to get over."

The proposal is to take the existing veneer plant and convert it into twenty executive water front town home condominiums on Dark Lake. Clark said that each unit will offer over 2,000 square feet of waterfront luxury, each including a fireplace and walkout deck. Every unit will have a private entrance and patio, a private boat slip (as part of a floating dock system) and shared ownership of one twentieth of the eight acre parcel that has 1100 feet of waterfront.

Clark, who proposes to manage the property, told Council that the development would not change the existing footprint of the plant. Illustrations were provided of a façade front for the units that Clark said would be extremely attractive on the lake. The units will vary in size and the building will include a common area and boardwalk. He said, "It's a beautiful design and can be built affordably to suit the existing cottage market.

A street front building along County Road 648 will be landscaped and converted into a showroom and retail space for one or two tenants and Clark anticipates that "overall, the development will add value and commerce to the community."

The development will include an exercise room that will be available for use by local residents as well as a pool that will be partly inside, but extend outside.

Timberline Custom Homes will be partnering with Clark on the project and Clark said they have developed a state of the art fast water and septic system that would result in 90 percent pure effluent going back into the existing slightly enlarged septic bed. Drainage will flow into the Irondale River. Clark said, "We will take the system through the regulatory process, but I'm very confident that it will do a terrific job."

Clark told Council that they had completed a number of site conditions including the removal of existing oil tanks. He said, "The property is in amazing condition and there are no hidden ghosts or buried employees." Clark laughed when he said that he had heard many stories about the building from people in the area, some of whom had come to collect small souvenirs from the plant.

Clark advised Council that all of the required survey work on the property had been completed by Greg Bishop and fencing will be installed as soon as they receive development approvals and be left in place during the course of construction. He said that remaining metal tanks and piping into the lake will all be removed and the Pump Shop out of Haliburton will be providing a system that will provide excellent drinking water.

According to Clark there will be little change required to existing road accesses to make the property functional and the development will include walking trails, gazebos and further recreational facilities in the future. He said, "We're hoping to be great neighbours."

Councillor Suzanne Partridge voiced concern about increased boat traffic and the impact on the lake and Clark responded that those concerns had been addressed in the environmental impact assessment process.

Clark acknowledged that Council would like to see development in the area and said, "The demographics are good and there shouldn't be a lot of added traffic." He referred to the existing trailer park on the lake suggesting that the development would not generate any more traffic than it did.

Partridge asked if there is sufficient capacity on the lake to add 20 units and Clark said, "It's not a question of capacity. We could put the factory back or even a Rastafarian Drum Shop, but this is a much better trade-off. It will be a beautiful development as opposed to a factory and should truly be added value for the community."

Partridge agreed that the development was a wonderful idea, but she didn't want to see development at the expense of future generations. She said she would be very interested in seeing the results of the environmental studies.

Deputy Reeve Jim Mackie said, "This is a wonderful proposal," and Council seemed, for the most part, to be in agreement with Mackie.

Clark emphasized that the development would bring employment and new commerce to the community. He said, "We're very excited about this."

CAO Sharon Stoughton-Craig reminded Clark that there were still a number of hurdles to get over but the Council members all agreed that they looked forward to receiving the official application. ■


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**MONDAY**

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| Freeport | 31/26/pc | 32/27/pc | 32/27/su | San Jose, CR | 30/21/ts | 28/21/ts | 30/21/cl |
| Georgetown | 31/23/ts | 31/24/ts | 31/24/sh | San Juan | 31/26/ts | 31/27/pc | 31/27/ts |
| Havana | 31/24/ts | 32/22/ts | 32/22/ts | San Salvador | 31/22/ts | 29/22/ts | 30/22/ts |
| Key West | 32/26/ts | 31/26/pc | 32/26/ts | Santo Domingo | 31/25/ts | 31/25/ts | 32/25/su |
| Kingston | 31/26/ts | 32/26/ts | 32/31/ts | Trinidad | 32/27/pc | 33/27/pc | 32/28/ts |

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| Regina | 26/15/sh | 22/12/sh | 23/11/ts | 24/12/cl | 21/12/ra | 24/12/pc | 24/12/pc |
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| **Mon.** | 5:27 a.m./9:05 p.m. | 4:50 a.m./9:25 p.m. |
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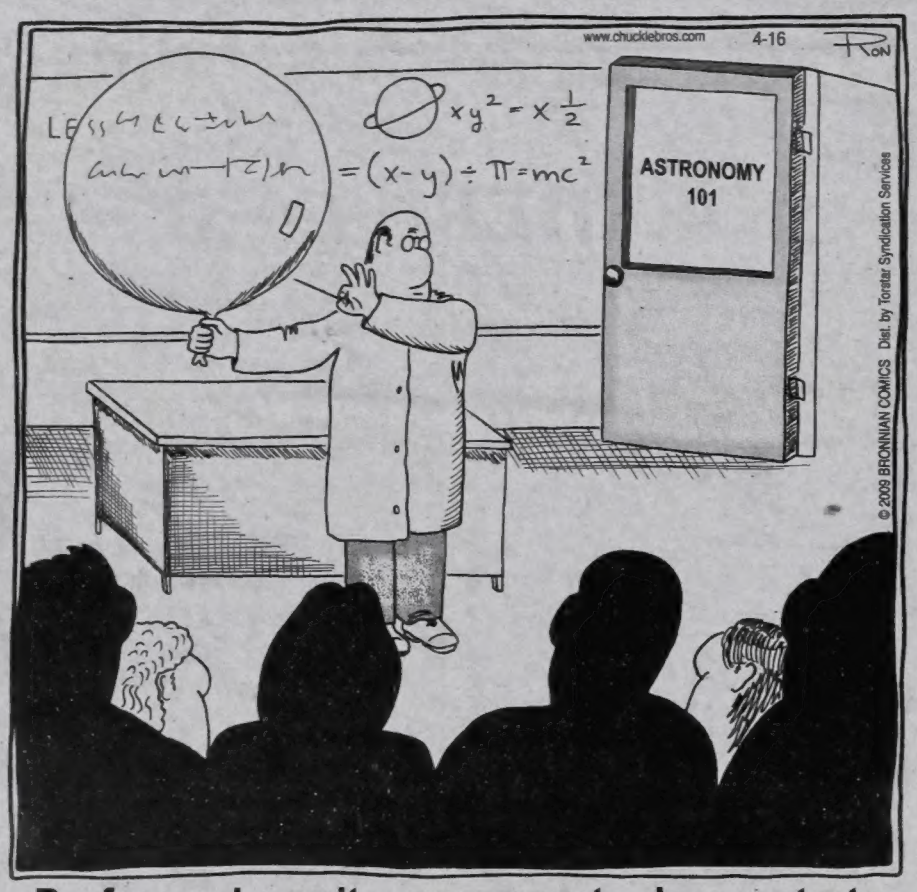


**Professor Lemaitre prepares to demonstrate his Big Bang theory.**

# Letter of the Week

Dear Editor:

## "It is our hope that by posting such letters of support the playing field will be evened…"

An open invitation to Algonquin Highlands Council and to taxpayers who support the proposed Stanhope Airport expansion: Speak out via www.OxtongueLake.ca. A community that has generated much attention in recent months has been Algonquin Highlands Council's approval of funding for the proposed Stanhope Airport expansion. Council has approved the funding in spite of what by all measurable standards seems to be overwhelming, if not nearly unanimous, protest against it. This past year, in my role as webmaster of the Oxtongue Lake Community website, I routinely have updated information on this controversial issue, posting texts of e-mails written to Council, links to impassioned letters-to-the-editor in the local press, and collections of articles and opinions penned by journalists who are covering the story.

What has emerged in the local press and on various lake association websites (including OxtongueLake.ca) is an exclusive bully pulpit for what appears to be a majority of taxpayers enraged by Council's decision to support the airport expansion. Pilot Barry Hart has expressed his supporting a well-reasoned June 3rd letter to the Minden Times and the County Voice, "New runaway is needed" (to which I have posted a link on the OxtongueLake.ca website); however persuasive Mr. Hart's argument may be, his is but one voice, and that of someone who uses the facility frequently.

Objectively speaking, what is notably lacking is any groundswell of non-aviator, non-vested-interest public support coming from the vast majority of those who will pay for the expansion: those members of the tax base who do not fly aircraft or have some other vested interest in the expansion project. In the spirit of fair play and democracy, www.OxtongueLake.ca extends to those non-aviator, non-vested-interest taxpayers who do support Council's approval of funding for the expansion project the opportunity to voice their support on our website. It is our hope that by posting such letters of support, the playing field will be evened and Council will be vindicated from accusations that they are "not listing" to the vast majority of those who voted them in to office.

As it is the legal and moral mandate of the members of Council to represent accurately the wishes of their constituency, we can only assume that there are at least as many taxpayers in the community who support Council's decision and are in favour of the airport expansion there are those who continue to protest against it. Here is an opportunity for those who support Council's stance to be heard and for Council itself to show that there is significantly more taxpayers support for the airport expansion than what is being reported in the press, posted on local websites and blogs, and voiced at regional lake association annual meetings. We trust that Council will accept this invitation from the Community of Oxtongue Lake and will ask their non-family, non-staff, non-vested-interest constituents who do support Council's funding approval to give public voice to their support. Without there being evidence of a measurable expression of support for the tax base, Council is left looking as though there is, in fact, no real public support for their funding approval of the proposed Stanhope Airport expansion. Council's support base, thus far, has come from a surprisingly small handful of people, most if not all of whom have a direct interest in seeing the project

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# Editorial VIEWPOINT

**by Stephen Patrick**

## McGuinty's Revolution – Ignatieff's Big Decision – and Devolin Steps up to the Plate

Just when you think the country's political life is winding down for the summer, with politicians, political organizers, and the party faithful preparing for the annual round of summer barbeque schmoozes … and kaboom! – all hell (or a reasonable facsimile thereof) breaks loose in Ottawa, Queen's Park, and Haliburton.

Here at home MP Barry Devolin has decided to use his office to try to find a compromise in the ongoing fractious and bitter Stanhope Runway dispute. As reported on page one of this issue, he's formally asked Algonquin Council to give him some direction as to whether or not the runway rehabilitation project can be divided into two phases, following the "olive branch" extended to council recently by the Maple, Beech, and Cameron Property Owner's Association (MBC). In other words, let's see if we can fix what we've got and argue about any future expansion later. The MBC appears less than impressed with Devolin's initiative and are waiting to see what decision Council makes this week. But at least Devolin's efforts might prevent Algonquin Highlands from losing considerable federal stimulus monies in the short run – which is when it's needed.

At Queen's Park the government of Liberal Premier Dalton McGuinty astonished many observers by accepting the chief recommendations from Charles Pascal's report on full-day learning for four-and-five year olds. In other words, schooling and daycare would be combined. It's hard to underestimate what a revolutionary change this proposal would bring about. For pre-school children, the plan would be to consolidate existing daycares, private and public, into "Best Start Child and Family Centres," preferably housed within the schools. McGuinty's on record as pledging to get the system for junior and senior kindergartens at least started by the fall of 2010 – just 14 months away. It's thought likely that poorer, often rural school districts, would be the first to adopt the new system, which means that within a few short months our four elementary schools could be undergoing a major transformation. The implications for the Cardiff and Wilberforce schools alone, currently under a review to determine their future, could be huge.

This program is obviously good news for thousands of parents who both need to work, yet are constantly battling to find decent, all-day care for their children. The reality of two-income families is just that: a reality. Sentimental nostalgia about the 1950s and June Cleaver isn't going to change the situation one whit. And it's important to note that these ideas are not new: the French have had their "maternelles" for decades, where children as young as three spend their entire days in a combination of school and daycare. And our own Trillium Lakelands District School Board has already tried out the idea in a pilot project that was deemed highly successful. But for a moderate to right wing Liberal Premier, known for not rocking boats of any size or shape, to propose this change in the middle of a recession, is breathtaking. And with the likelihood of a Mike Harris loyalist in the person of Tim Hudak succeeding to the Tory provincial leadership this month, it could also be politically brilliant. At the very least it will give voters in 2010 a stunningly clear choice of paths to choose for their province.

In Ottawa, Opposition Leader Michael Ignatieff has spent days deciding whether or not to roll the dice and force a summer election, which as he admits, agreeing for once with Prime Minister Stephen Harper, that no one in the country wants, at all. A few days ago Ignatieff's appearance of dithering was savaged by all three of the CBC's At Issue panel. Sure, some Liberal commentators have praised Ignatieff, saying he's being politically clever, and will indeed extract budgetary concessions from Harper, but the political risk Ignatieff is taking is high indeed: crying wolf is rarely seen as a brave course of action.

Now, bring on the burgers! □

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# The Highlander Rants

By Terrance Seamus Gavan

## Nuisance Bears and life in the country
## A chat with Smokey, Yogi and Boo Boo

A recent cottage country meeting outlined the depth of a recurring problem.

Bears are running wild, rampant, and free here in the Highlands.

And that has a lot of people very upset.

It's taking a huge toll on the gentle psyches and genteel sensibilities of many residents and cottagers in the area.

All down to "nuisance bears."

What are nuisance bears?

Well, nuisance bears are those rumbling ursine garbage scows that interfere with our god-given right to enjoyment of the assorted natural wonders flung so haphazardly and luxuriously here in the Highlands.

Bears who brazenly wander through the woods and into "our yards" with alarming regularity.

Bears who show utter contempt for "no trespassing" signs.

Bears who exhibit a blatant disregard for our innate property rights.

Hungry bears with an alarmingly excellent sense of smell.

Bears who are able to discern, from 5 or 6 hectares, the dusky aroma of last night's salmon steak on a Weber Hot Blast 4000 Super Grill.

How dare they. Pesky bears.

Many people in the Algonquin Highlands have seen these bears.

I know. I've heard the complaints. Numerous complaints. At cottage meetings. At council meetings.

"It's uncivilized," says one cottager, Jake Usurper. "Bears running around like they own the woods! Just who do they think they are?" Jake Usurper says he's done the due diligence.

"I keep phoning the bear line over to the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) and they keep telling me that bears often wander this time of year. Wander, shmonder. I fought in two wars, I paid for this property, and I own a lotta' guns," says Jake, who says that locals may have to contemplate a "thinning of the herd."

"I moved here five years ago to enjoy my cottage, the wilderness, and all of nature's rich and bounteous beauty," says Jake, 75, a transplanted Oshawite. "These damn black bears are ruining my retirement."

I phoned the MNR hot line in Sudbury.

I got a recording.

"Thank you for phoning the Bear Aware Hot Line. Your call is important to us. The MNR appreciates your input … but all of our operators are currently running around the woods, willy-nilly, and chock-a-block, looking for endangered species, invasive fishies and the elusive Sasquatch. If you're calling to report a black bear sighting, press one; if a black bear is interfering with your yard work, press two; if a black bear ate your dinner, press 3; if a black bear is doing short laps in your Jacuzzi, press 4; if black bears are ruining your retirement – Jake! Put that bloody rifle down! Now! Thank you for calling the MNR Ursus Horribilis hot line. This call may be recorded for quality purposes."

It's all very confusing. When I'm confused I go to the source. Last week Smokey Bear was in town for a photo op and presser.

I tracked him down after the press conference.

"Smokey, why are your brethren bears terrorizing the citizenry in the Highlands?" I asked.

"They're hungry," said Smokey.

"But surely Smokey, that cannot excuse the blatant trespassing, disregard for property, and the increasingly hostile reaction to incursive civilization? For instance, you seem to do all right, how do you manage to feed yourself?"

"Look, I'm on a full-ride government-sponsored expense account … so it's like salmon, filet mignon, shrimp, caviar, and all the Big Macs I can manage, 24-7, especially during fire season," growled Smokey. "It ain't so easy for some of the brothers down in the deep, dark woods … Look, if you want the real skinny from a scavenger's perspective I'll give you a number of a good friend of mine," said Smokey.

I dialed the number and the phone rang twice.

"Hello, Yogi Bear's residence," said the voice at the other end. I recognized it immediately –a nasally blast from my Hanna-Barbera past.

"Boo-Boo, is that you?" I asked, incredulously.

"Yes, how can I help you?" said Boo-Boo.

"Wow," I said. "Look I was given this number from Smokey Bear up in Canada. He said I could get some answers about why bears are encroaching on our summer playgrounds, stealing our food, gutting our garbage, and generally making our lives miserable up here in cottage country."

"Oh yes. We're great friends Smokey, Yogi and I," said the Boo-Boo. "But hey, the nuisance thing, that's Yogi's territory, and I'm afraid I have some bad news," said Boo-Boo.

"Why, what's wrong Boo?" I asked.

"Yogi's in rehab," sighed Boo-Boo. "Ranger Smith checked him into Betty Ford for the 60-day Pic-I-Nic Basket Withdrawal Program. It's all my fault. I'm a classic enabler."

"You're being a little hard on yourself Boo-Boo," I said. "I think you'll find that like any addict, Yogi will have to step to the plate, own his addiction, make amends, stay off the pork-chops, and move on with his life."

We talked for a long while. Boo-Boo brings Yogi five quarts of elderberries every day.

"The counselors at Betty Ford are very kind and understanding," said the Boo. "They're slowly weaning Yogi off the hard crack of that soda pop, hot-dog and deviled egg diet. It's hard. People don't realize how easy it is to become addicted to the fast fix of a free lunch, a leftover pizza or an apple pie."

Boo has set up the Yogi Foundation, a not-for-profit agency dedicated to eradicating the nightmare of bears on cake.

So Highlanders. It's up to you.

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# More Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

## How do you make a town responsible for stray dogs, not private business?

Frequently we get calls from people who have found a dog on the road, running loose, no tags and do not know what to do with them. We take them into the hospital, thank the kind hearted person who found the dog and did not want to see him hit on the road. The dogs are examined for injuries, checked for a microchip or identifying marks, and we treat the urgent problems. Records are checked in case there are clients in that area with dogs of that description and they are contacted. Much time is spent calling the many numbers on our lost dog list including radio stations, spca's, and the town offices. We feed them, walk them and wait for someone to claim them. Most often people are grateful if we take in their lost dog and take care of it when found running at large, sometimes they are not and it makes us wonder why we do it at all. And why do we do it? Good question. We are not a pound.

We need a pound in Minden Hills. The town's policy for stray dogs is to leave them where they are unless they have a town tag on. I quote the towns response to a question of what to do with a dog found wandering without a town tag on, wandering on our highways, "We have no jurisdiction there, no authority to go picking up dogs and we do not have facilities to house (them)" Not many lost dogs have tags on at all let alone a town tag. It is not safe for the dog, for the owners, or the people driving on the roads to leave wandering dogs on the highways.

We need a pound to help the lost animals in our area so they are not left on the road. I am sure people would call a pound first for their animals if lost and they would be home faster. All animals that are microchipped could be identified before even entering the pound and would be home even faster. What if all impounded animals had to be microchipped before being released to the owners that lost them? Dogs that run are often repeat offenders, especially if not neutered. Fees could be charged for boarding, collecting the dogs on the roads, microchipping and care of the animal. High fines would really deter the owners from not watching their dogs and encourage them to have them neutered so they run less often. Fines could be used to run the pound.

If you think the town should take responsibility for the stray animals in our township not local businesses, call and say so to any or all of our Councilors. I sent a letter dated Jan 2009 to all the council members detailing the many reasons why I believe a shelter or pound is needed in our area. I requested a written response and to date, have not received one. I was told when I called that there was nothing set aside in the 2009 budget for a pound. I wonder what they think I have set aside for it? I sent them a bill for the month of December only for board of all the stray animals. They refused to pay.

I think that the town needs to take responsibility for the stray dogs in this community and stop shrugging off its responsibilities to keep our roads safe.

So, why do we take stray animals in every week? It is the kind thing to do. And what if owners do not appreciate the kindness?

To quote Mother Teresa, "if you are kind, people may accuse you of selfish, ulterior motives: be kind anyway."

So I will likely take in the next stray dog running on the highway whether the town takes responsibility for its strays or not, or whether the owner of the dog is thankful or not, just because it is the right thing to do and I do not want to hear an animal was hurt on the road because the town of Minden Hills turns a blind eye to stray animals. The people of Minden Hills need to make their concerns known. I have.

Dr C Sanio, Minden Animal Hospital ■

## *Stanhope Airport Letter cont'd....*

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go through. It would be helpful for all concerned if we were to hear significant support—at least some support – coming from Council's non-aviator, non-vested-interest constituency.

Visit our website (http://www.OxtongueLake.ca) – you will find links to two pages dedicated to the Stanhope Airport expansion: One is support, the other is protest. On both pages are submission links for appropriate content. We invite you to exercise your right to free speech and will make sure your voice is heard. Special emphasis will be given to posts from those who support Council and the proposed airport expansion. We will be updating the local press on a weekly basis as to the numbers of letters coming in.

Respectfully,

Jim Grant, Webmaster
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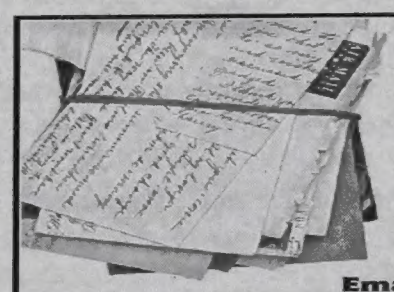

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# Review of Highlands East Fire Department Continues

Liz Danielsen
*Staff Reporter*

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plan would take at that time, but specific recommendations complete with well documented rationale are now in hand. Council will be taking those recommendations under advisement for now, but in the meantime, Fire Chief Bill Wingrove will share the results of the study and plan with members of his department and seek input from them.

While presenting his final recommendations, Corfield said, "Because of the large land mass combined with your low population density, providing the kind of service required is a huge challenge. When you throw Harcourt into the mix you're covering 900 square kilometres." Corfield said that manning and maintaining six stations would prove to be a challenge even in areas of higher population and less land.

Corfield said that outside of the focus areas that have the largest population density, fire service becomes somewhat disjointed, complicated and expensive. He also said that alternatives to a volunteer system would prove far too costly for the municipality and any improvement in service would be marginal.

As to the fire stations and their locations, Corfield reported that there was no magic formula that could accommodate maintaining the present six fire stations. "What does make sense is to reduce the overall number of fire stations from six to three. To accomplish this, a careful eye should be focused on the three areas of the municipality with the greatest concentration of people and buildings."

"These three areas are Gooderham in the west, Wilberforce in the centre and Cardiff in the east."

Corfield's first recommendation was to promote the Fire Chief to a full time position. He said, "Give someone the capacity to manage the department properly. That starts with the Fire Chief." Corfield suggested that in order to do a good job, be responsible to the volunteers and concentrate on daily management of the department, the position must be full time.

Corfield's second recommendation was to close the two buildings that now serve as Station 1 (Cardiff) and move all of the fire apparatus and supporting equipment on an interim basis to Station 6 (on Highway 28). He suggesting selling off the small supporting garage and investing any funds realized from the sale in a 'fire department building fund.'

Station 1 has equipment remote from the station. Addressing this, Corfield said, "You should have all of the equipment in the same facility. The station is cramped and doesn't suit the municipality's needs."

Corfield said, "I believe that all of the stations, with the exception of Station 3 (Gooderham) represent a liability to the municipality. He referred to health and safety and building code issues and said, "Why chase the horse when it's already out of the barn (or station)?"

The next recommendation was to replace Station 4 (in Wilberforce) and the municipal building with a new multi -purpose structure located on municipal property northeast of Wilberforce on the Loop Road. Referring to the firehall, Corfield said, "There are issues with the building (firehall) that are far too expensive to overcome in a practical sense." He said it would be a great opportunity to build a single complex that would deal with both administrative and fire requirements and referred to funding that is presently available from various levels of government.

"By moving the station a bit further out, there would be an opportunity to provide broader service without robbing the area of the fire protection is needs but still meet acceptable levels of travel time."

Station 2 (Highland Grove) was the next area of consideration. Corfield said, "Of all the challenges the municipality faces, that represents the most cost prohibitive problem to overcome. It is not a building that should go any further." He recommended closing the station completely and focusing on providing good coverage out of the Wilberforce Station. Corfield commented that any money realized from the sale of the building and land would offset the cost of a new structure.

Station 4 in Tory Hill was not mentioned specifically, but the recommendation to place an emphasis on Gooderham, Wilberforce and Cardiff and moving to a three station configuration suggested that the Tory Hill members would respond to either Gooderham or Wilberforce depending on the circumstances and that the station would also become surplus.

Corfield's next recommendation was to undertake a study to determine the needs and types of fire apparatus and sell off excess apparatus, placing any realized funds into a reserve fund for equipment. "Your fleet is too big and there are an unnecessary number of trucks which are too costly to maintain and replace."

Corfield's focus then turned to recruitment. It was his recommendation to institute a 'recruitment-retention-retirement policy' in conjunction with existing human rights legislation. He also suggested reducing the complement of volunteers to a more manageable complement of 50 members for the three stations.

"Hold a fire night, show films and approach the cadets to become part of the organization by taking part in training, housekeeping and social functions. When they reach legal age they can move into full service. When members leave do an exit interview," he said. "You need to determine why they're leaving and what you can do to keep your volunteers."

"Your goal is to keep your volunteers as long as you can without bending over backwards for them. This is a partnership and there must be give and take on both sides. Your willingness to stay with a volunteer system will keep them in the system and should generate pride in their role."

"The older your volunteers get the less healthy and active they are and the greater your liability exposure becomes. Establish a fair retirement policy that includes an outreach program, an education program and a fire safety arm of the department that retired fire fighters can become involved in."

"Enlist them to do smoke alarm checks and fire escape education, so that while you may only have three stations, your outreach will be everywhere in the community. Your retirees will still be valuable members of the department," he said. Corfield added that there may even be people willing to volunteer and join the department simply to perform these functions rather than becoming active fire fighters.

Corfield also recommended establishing a 'procurement, maintenance and replacement of fire apparatus' policy as well as conducting a review of the existing fire services by-law. He said, "The present one is far too cumbersome and puts the Council too much into the day to day management of the fire service. You hire good staff to manage your day to day affairs and you have a CAO to oversee the departments."

Corfield recommended seeking legal expertise in this area to come up with a cleaner document. He said, "There may be a potential powder keg with some aspects of the existing document."

Reeve Dave Burton commented that Corfield's recommendations were a lot to digest. He said, "We'll have to take some time to consider the report fully." Wingrove advised Council that he would be presenting the recommendations to the Station Commanders and Officers over the next week, but everyone agreed that it wouldn't take long for word to hit the street.

Council members accepted that there was a lot of good material for them to consider. They had very few questions to ask and Burton suggested that Corfield return to a subsequent meeting, allowing Council ample time to consider his recommendations and raise questions about how best to proceed when he returns.

The bottom line is that the changes will be a huge undertaking that will take some time to unfold. ■

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# Compromise Sought On Airport

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When asked for her reaction to Devolin's letter, Reeve Eleanor Harrison said it was difficult to comment until the matter had been taken to Council for consideration. She said, "It does sound like an opportunity that we should take a serious look at."

Harrison said that in fairness to her Council, they had not yet had an opportunity to discuss the recent 'olive branch' offered by Paul MacInnes on behalf of the Maple Beech & Cameron Lakes Area Property Owners' Association (MBC) which suggested that if Council proceed only with rehabilitation of existing infrastructure at the airport, their opposition would be withdrawn

Reluctant to speak without Council's input, Harrison did say, "It seems like a good alternative for us to move forward in a positive manner. Mr. Devolin doesn't want a project in the County lost, nor do we. We're in a bit of a holding pattern right now and this may give us some time to sort out the difficulties we're having over the airport expansion and have the review by the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency completed."

Harrison also confirmed that Devolin's action may give Algonquin Highlands an opportunity to hold on to some, if not all of the Building Canada funding and proceed with a portion of the project this year. She also said it was her hope that MBC would support them.

That may be too much to hope for. Devolin spoke with MacInnes about his letter and his desire to see the project proceed. MacInnes confirmed that they'd had a good discussion but told the Voice that his executive was extremely reluctant to agree to a two step airport development.

MacInnes said that at this point, there was no requirement to respond to the letter, as it was addressed to the Algonquin Highlands Council and the matter was in their court at this point.

"We support the rehabilitation of the existing runway, but we certainly can't see ourselves ever supporting the proposed runway," said MacInnes.

MacInnes spoke about the limitations that exist at the airport that preclude it from every being certified or used in any true commercial capacity. He said that it was interesting to note that even the Municipality's own consultants had indicated a number of deficiencies, including the fact that there would never be instrument landing capabilities, ability for charter flights, jets or larger aircraft to land.

Because of these deficiencies MBC has been recommending an independent review by Transport Canada for over a year, something that can be conducted at absolutely no cost. While the municipality's plan was finally submitted to Transport Canada a few weeks ago, MacInnes questioned why there had been a delay in taking this step when so much money is at stake.

Of greatest concern to the MBC executive is the lack of any demonstrated demand or viable business plan for the proposed runway and their fear that it will truly become a white elephant that will take Algonquin Highlands taxpayers years to pay for.

"Algonquin Highlands' track record with this airport is not inspiring," said MacInnes.

He spoke about a number of predictions that the Council made as far back as 1987 about the benefits that would accrue as a result of investing in the airport, none of which had been achieved. He also spoke of the money required to repave the existing runway and suggested that the extension of those costs to repave two runways over the next twenty years could cost the taxpayers as much as $1.3 million dollars, without any consideration given to other maintenance costs, the annual losses reaching $100,000 that the airport experiences or the costs to finance the municipality's portion of the project.

MacInnes said, "Many of our own members and residents throughout the County are very upset at the way the Municipality has conducted this project. The same public who will be paying for a good portion of the project have been kept in the dark at almost every turn."

"Even though the Reeve states that they have been working on this plan for the last 20 years, her election brochure for the last election made no mention of the airport," he said.

Disappointed in their behaviour, MacInnes also commented on the fact that when their members made delegations to Council, they were dismayed by the fact that a number of Councillors simply looked at the clock or shuffled papers during the delegations, making it obvious to all that they were not interested in listening to anyone whose views did not match their own.

MacInnes said, "I understand that this project is the single largest project that Algonquin Highlands has ever undertaken. What is lacking at this point is a clearly demonstrated need for the project and a comprehensive business plan." MacInnes said the project should have been fully debated by an informed public long before things reached this juncture.

"The ball is in their court," he said, adding that MBC's position had not changed.

Stay tuned for the results of the June 18th meeting. ■

Dear Editor:

## ATV Association and Property Owners Face Off

Fishtail Lake Hunt Camp has denied the historic use and existence of the Old Kennaway Road and stated the road was never developed past the current maintained section of Fishtail Lake Rd. They neglected to inform the Council that in fact this hunt camp was the Kennaway School before it was a hunt camp. Of course the road did go through past the end of the Fishtail Lake Rd and there are still some around that went to school in the late 30's and early 40's when Mary Olgilvie taught school at what is now the Fishtail Hunt Camp.

There was also an army base in the town of Kennaway on the Kennaway Rd. The road was never a paved road but you don't have to look very far to find people that will tell you it existed back in the early 1900's as a colonization road and it exists today and is a map defined right of way that follows the original road allowance used by many.

I suppose the kids used to fly to school back in the 40's and the army never drove trucks down the road.

The Fishtail Hunt Camp said that the HATVA cut trees on the trail. We have not cut down any trees on the trail and this is simply not true and misleading information aimed at portraying HATVA as irresponsible. The road allowance is defined and other than occasional deadfall it is easy enough to follow.

It was stated that the road allowance is not a snowmobile trail. In fact a good part of the road allowance is snowmobile trail and it is on the Paudash map and the signs are on the allowance. We can take pictures and supply them to you if you'd like.

The Director representing Harcourt Park spent most his time talking about an area on the eastern border of the Park known as the Old Deer Lake Rd access and has nothing to do with the Kennaway Rd access in question. Regarding the Deer Lake Rd area, we do have trails that dead end at the Park Boundary. We have land use permits on those private trails and we have posted these trails and warden them. The main issue here is actually the ATVers from Harcourt Park that leave the Park and cross through these private properties ... in other words there's more leaving the Park and trespassing on private land then coming to the Park. We know because we sit there and warden it. But again this has nothing to do with the situation at the Old Kennaway colonization road.

Your article incorrectly stated that HATVA has paid money to Harcourt Park. We did not: we did however make payment to the Paudash snowmobile club for a trail south of Eels Lake road, not an HATVA trail but a snowmobile trail that was in need of repair and HATVA offered to assist.

Regards - Steven Skidmore
President HATVA ■

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# Kushog Lake Property Owners Meet for AGM – Ratepayers Vote No to Airport

Terrance Gavan
*Staff Reporter*

Guest speakers at the Kushog Lake Property Owners Association (KLPOA) annual general meeting last Saturday included Algonquin Highlands Reeve Eleanor Harrison and municipal by-law enforcement officer Mitch O'Grady.

Guess who generated the most heat from the floor at the AGM?

Surprisingly, it wasn't Reeve Harrison, who came to the Stanhope Firefighters Hall armed and ready to answer an expected barrage of questions from the cottagers over the contentious plans for Stanhope Airport expansion and the prescribed addition of a crosswind runway.

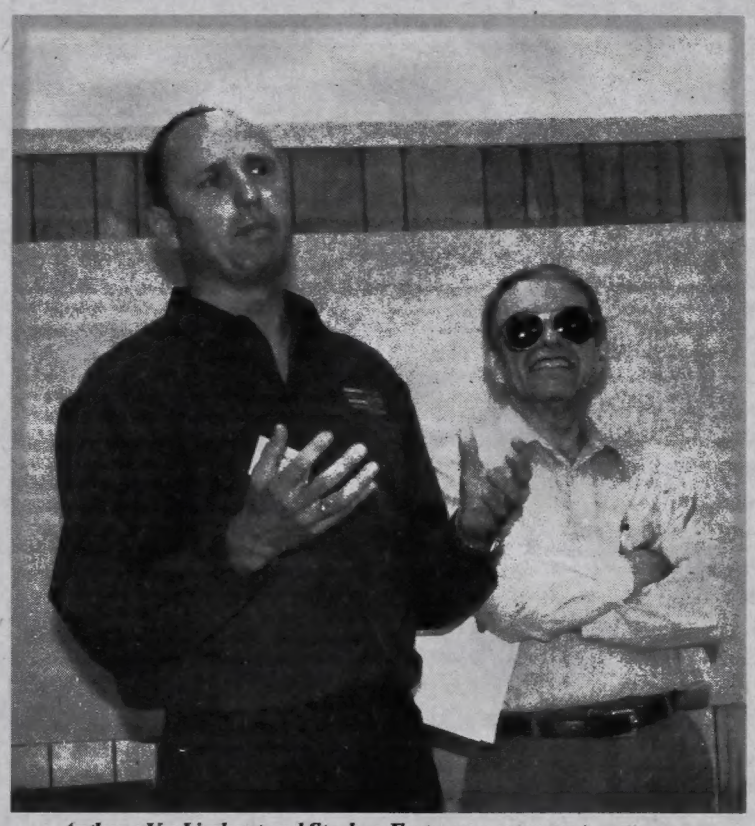
The KLPOA did vote, earlier in the meeting to support a motion to withhold their support of Algonquin Highlands plans to proceed with a proposed runway expansion at Stanhope Airport.

The motion to the floor stated: "It is the opinion of the KLPOA board of directors that the expansion of the airport should not proceed until more information is available … such as a business plan which examines who will use the expanded facility, how users will be attracted to it and what is the potential economic benefit to the community. Furthermore it is our recommendation that this major capital project should not proceed during this time of extreme economic concern. It is our recommendation that it should become an election issue during the next election in 2010."

A unanimous show of hands – but no call for nay votes - supported the motion and that puts the KLPOA firmly on side with the Maple, Beech and Cameron Lake property owners association (MBC) who also have expressed an interest to make this contentious issue an election issue.

Harrison, in the end, was questioned only mildly about the airport. Most of the questions Harrison fielded from the polite and reserved Kushog cottagers revolved around landfill, sewage lagoon and septic issues.

O'Grady, on the other hand was grilled intensively about fire bylaws (no daytime fires), bears roaming, electric fence around the landfill site, and the upcoming 2010 G8 Conference in Huntsville next June (25, 26 and 27). Specifically O'Grady addressed



*Anthony VanLieshout and Stephen Foster present maps to cottagers*

the ramifications of security issues surrounding the large world-summit and conference, the ramifications of possible road closures, and President Barack O'Bama's 1,200-person entourage - some 500 of those expected to represent his own personal Secret Service security detail.

Reeve Harrison appeared relieved after her presentation and the short question period.

She could have been forgiven for expecting a more rancorous welcome. She's been treated less than cordially by a large number of area cottagers, who are cranking up the pressure as they strive to have the crosswind runway project at Stanhope quashed.

The Maple Beech and Cameron Lake Property Owners Association (MBC) have hired a lawyer and threaten to slap an injunction on the proposed airport development. The MBC were the first cottagers to put forward the plan to draw out the environmental impact study into 2010, and make this highly charged airport expansion an election issue when the township goes to the polls next year. The KLPOA motion to support that idea continues to fan the flames of dissent over the airport project.

It should be noted that the MBC offered an olive branch last week, telling council that they will back off if Harrison and council agree to curtail the project, scupper the crosswind runway and move the stimulus funding to a general airport improvement strategy.

The airport is still awaiting clearance from the Canadian Environmental Assessment Review Board.

"Paul MacInnes (representing MBC) gave a presentation saying that if we change the scope of the project, they would back off," said Harrison. She said that the MBC proposal would be discussed at council's meeting on June 18th. She confided that some of that discussion might take place in camera.

The front page of the Spring 2009 Kushog Lake Newsletter was dedicated to a history of the airport expansion. In her third page editorial KLPOA President Norma Goodger said that, "The big news that could affect us all is the expansion of our 'little gem' – the Stanhope Airport. Despite considerable public protest, the project is going ahead with the expectation that it will be completed by the end of this year."

Goodger added that the although council has offered ratepayers a tax break this year, she said that this must be assessed in the light of Council's intention to borrow considerable funds to finance their 33 per cent stake in the airport project. The Stanhope Airport expansion, as Reeve Harrison noted in her speech last Saturday, is a joint funded project with Ontario, Ottawa and the Municipality footing one-third portions of the approximately $3.8 million price tag.

"So at the same time that council cuts municipal taxes to mitigate the impact of current MVA (Market Value Assessment) increases, they go out and borrow $1.3 million to finance the airport," wrote Goodger in her editorial. "The property tax increases are being phased in over four years. So those increases will hit us at the same time as municipal taxes have to increase to cover the cost of the airport (both capital and operating).

Reeve Harrison was asked if council was going to implement a strategy of hiring local contractors for the runway project. She said that all construction contracts, because of the one-third funding formula would have to be tendered widely to accommodate provincial and federal input.

Asked if council had a business plan in place for the airport Harrison said they have a "business vision."

"I for one firmly believe that we will bring in economic development," said Harrison. She said that five separate investors have approached council saying they have plans to invest if and when the runway project is implemented.

She allowed that tourism is still the number one job generator in the Highlands, But she added that those jobs are low paying and seasonal. She said that local councils must consider projects that will provide residents with a living wage, and year round employment. She pointed out that an airport expansion and the prospects of business placement in the vicinity could contribute to a more vibrant and sustainable economy.

"Tourism jobs are minimum wage, part time and with no benefits," said Harrison. "We have been trying to bring in economic development and this airport will bring in economic development."

Meanwhile, Harrison did outline that infrastructure funding had been garnered for several outstanding projects. Taxes have been cut, and the KLPOA says it is happy with that decreased blended rate of 7.4 percent. Harrison added that there are plans to expand the Maple Lake landfill site and there are also improvements planned for the McClintock lagoon. They are partnering with Minden Hills municipality to arrange for an improved handling and distribution of septic wastes. She says that those plans still have to be vetted by the Ministry of Environment (MOE).

She said that Buckslide Road would be closed until bridge repairs are completed on August 14th.

The main landfill sites in Algonquin Highlands will no longer be closed two days in a row and they will be open later on Holiday Mondays and Sunday evenings in the summer. At least one area landfill will be open every day of the week.

O'Grady, in his short presentation advised that there had been 99 percent compliance with all by-laws including building permits. He said that daytime burning regulations are in effect and that non-compliance with the fire by-laws would cost scofflaws $250. he said that by-law officers are offering warnings instead of fines right now, but

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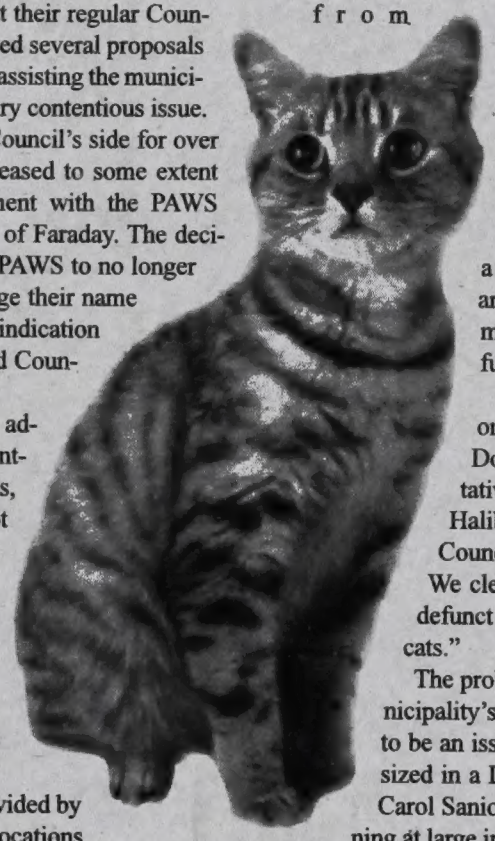
# Cat Problems Continue in Highlands East

Liz Danielsen
*Staff Reporter*

The problem of both feral and domestic cats continues to plague the Highlands East Council. With no shelter available that will accept cats of any sort, Council has little choice but to find a solution of their own and the Municipality is finally making some inroads. Last week at their regular Council meeting, the Councillors reviewed several proposals from their By-law Officer aimed at assisting the municipality to move forward with this very contentious issue.

Feral cats have been a thorn in Council's side for over a year now, but the problem was eased to some extent through a shared services agreement with the PAWS Shelter in the nearby Municipality of Faraday. The decision by the Board of Directors for PAWS to no longer accept cats of any sort and to change their name to the Municipal Dog Pound as an indication of what they will accept, has forced Council's hand.



CAO Sharon Stoughton-Craig advised the Council that, as they presently have no place to take the animals, they now have a by-law that cannot be enforced. In response to this and continuing complaints about feral and even domestic cats running loose, she asked Terry Graham (By-law Enforcement Officer) to prepared proposals to establish both a feral cat colony and a municipally operated domestic cat shelter.

The domestic shelter proposal provided by Graham listed numerous possible locations, building requirements and costs to construct the buildings and purchase a cage system. Graham reported that the Municipality could purchase an existing system from the now defunct PAWS shelter in Faraday, but advised that the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs recommended individual cages which would allow for easy removal/relocation of the cages for cleaning and transportation of the cats.

Graham estimated that start up costs for the shelter would be anywhere from $10,000 to $13,000. The project would have to be put out to tender and accurate costs could be pinned down further at that time.

The report also included estimated costs for vet services (spay/neuter/vaccinations), cleaning supplies, food and the cost for a pound keeper.

The feral cat colony proposal suggested that municipal land far enough away from privately owned property be used to minimize any impacts and reduce complaints. Once again, Graham estimated costs for a shelter or structure, which was minimal and vet services for the abandoned animals.

The success of the colony proposal will be dependant on the ability to find a colony caretaker and it was based on the colony being operated by volunteers with no ongoing costs to the municipality. The volunteers would be responsible for ongoing maintenance of the facility, care of the cats and fund raising for food. Waivers would be required to address the matter of liability.

The Council members had numerous suggestions to make. A number of the locations were considered for both the shelter and the colony, some with more possibilities than others given the requirements for a suitable location away from residential areas and the need for hydro, ventilation, water and drainage.

Council directed staff to follow up on costs to put hydro and water service into a building at the municipal septage site and to determine the cost to have a domestic shelter building manufactured to specifications. Graham was asked to have a discussion with locals who have shown an interest in caring for a cat colony and the matter will be brought back to Council for further discussion and a decision.

Councillor Suzanne Partridge, who sits on the Board of Directors of the Municipal Dog Pound in Faraday along with representatives of other municipalities just outside of Haliburton's eastern boundaries said, "I think Council is making great progress on this issue. We clearly have to do something as we have a defunct by-law and people having problems with cats."

The problem of animals running at large and municipality's taking responsibility for them continues to be an issue that must be resolved. This is emphasized in a Letter to the Editor in this issue from Dr. Carol Sanio who is raising concerns about dogs running at large in Minden. Minden has also had numerous complaints about feral cats in the community.

Far from a solution in Highlands East, but for those residents who have been plagued by cats and any of the unsavoury aspects of having them in the neighbourhood, progress is finally being made. ■

# Reeve Eleanor Harrison – no grief over airport expansion

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that continued flaunting of the daytime ban would result in fines.

He added that their emergency response units, including fire, police and ambulance are prepared and that the municipality was looking into the establishment of Evacuation Centers. He advised all residents to invest in a 72-hour emergency kit.

Several cottagers were quite interested in the daytime fire ban, quizzing O'Grady at length. O'Grady said that zero tolerance for scofflaws would be enforced, due to the high level of threat posed by daytime burns. He also addressed a number of bear complaints and once again urged all cottagers to report bear sightings to the MNR.

The 7th Annual Kushog Lake Fun Golf Scramble is slated for Friday July 10th at the Lakeside Golf Club. The annual picnic is Saturday August 1st – slated for the Pine Spring Valley Resort between 11 am and 3 pm.

The KLPOA in association with cartographer Stephen Foster and Anthony van Lieshout of the Trillium Team at Royal LePage arranged to have laminated maps of Kushog Lake delivered to every member of the KLPOA. The detailed map contains water levels, points of interest and topographical and historic data.■


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# Rails End Gallery Celebrates its "Rotary Common"

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Last weekend drummers, politicians, Rotarians, volunteers, Gallery Staff, and one Clown joined together to celebrate the formal opening of the Rails End Gallery's Rotary Common. A few years back the Haliburton Rotary Club donated $10,000 to the Gallery to help it achieve an ambitious renovation scheme that included renovating and linking the old box car to the Gallery proper.

The Gallery itself had just been completely renovated and renewed when it reopened in July of 2005 after a two-year period of soul-searching, with a revitalized commitment to the community. The Rotary's donation the following year was seen as an important statement of support and appreciation for the Gallery's historic role in the artistic life of Haliburton County. However, it soon became clear that at the moment the box car project was simply not going to generate enough financial support in the foreseeable future to make it practical. The Rotary Club graciously allowed the Gallery to bank the money and save it for a future project.

And now, with the help of an additional contribution of $40,000 from the Haliburton County Development Corporation and the support of Dysart et al Council, the Gallery has used the Rotary monies to transform the space outside the Gallery into a graceful public garden and meeting place. In addition, the accessibility of the Gallery has been greatly improved.

Cheryl Murdoch, Minden Hills Deputy Reeve and Chair of the County's Accessibility Committee presented the Gallery with an award for its achievement. MP Barry Devolin spoke of the historic importance of the Railway in the County, and the contributions the Gallery has made since its beginnings in the 1970s. Rotarian Greg Bishop thanked the Gallery for naming the space the Rotary Common, and reiterated how important the Rails End is to the community. He also recalled unloading lumber from box cars in his youth. Gallery Board President Stephen Patrick made special mention of the contributions of Dysart Councillor Janis Parker, the Gallery's Municipal Representative, in getting the project going.

Gallery Executive Director Laurie Jones also thanked the dozens of volunteers and donors who give so much to the continuing success of the Rails End.

And then, after the ribbon cutting, a magnificent cake was divided up and served to the crowd. ■

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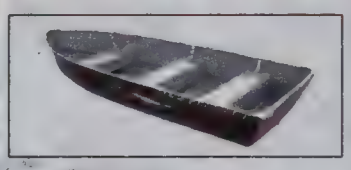

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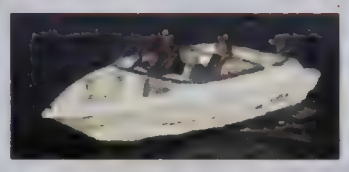

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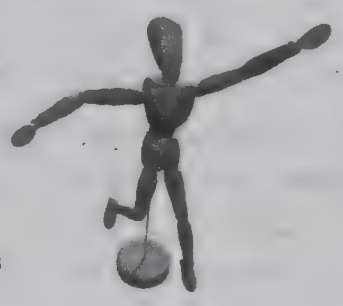

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Mark Arike
*Staff Reporter*

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# Cottage Association Takes on Trent-Severn Waterway

Liz Danielsen
*Staff Reporter*

A discussion held recently between members of the Gull Lake Cottagers' Association (GLCA) and the Trent-Severn Waterway (TSW) quickly became contentious when it came to managing water levels in Gull and Moore Lakes.

Barbara Reid, Councilor for Minden Hills,and Past President of the GLCA and Board Member Michael Sheppard met with TSW representatives in MP Barry Devolin's office in Lindsay.

Reid acknowledged the constraints of an antiquated system that requires a massive amount of work to maintain, but said she wanted a review of the operational methods being used.

Reid said, "Something has changed. Prior to five years ago no concerns were raised." She said that she could not recall fluctuating water levels that people are experiencing now and that her assumption was that operational changes had been made.

"Water levels have always been high in the spring and low in the fall. We are used to that and have handled ourselves accordingly."

According to Reid during the last week in August last year lake levels declined dramatically, having a serious impact on cottagers and visitors.

"If people can't access the water with their boats there is a serious problem, particularly before the end of the summer."

Reid reported a unique occurrence experienced last January when lake levels shifted dramatically, something that had never occurred on Gull Lake during the winter. Water levels were very high in January prior to the freeze, and then dropped significantly after the freeze. She called it the 'soufflé affect" as the ice looked just like a fallen soufflé and said she had never seen anything like it. Reid said there was extensive property damage this spring as a result of the water level fluctuation.

Reid also provided pictures depicting extreme differences in water levels over a one week period in late April/early May and spoke of contradictory reports about flood warnings and water levels that had been received during that time.

She said, "There doesn't seem to be an operating plan that keeps these fluctuations to a minimum." Reid also said that TSW seemed to be reactionary, often laying blame elsewhere or simply saying that the water is at acceptable norms.

Reid requested a review of TSW operating procedures and an action plan to reduce the extreme fluctuations and asked if cottagers could expect an orderly drawdown this year.

Reid also provided pictures of the Dominion Hotel with a flooded basement and Riverwalk in Minden providing indications of high water that lasted for several weeks.

She also provided numerous photographs of extreme low and high levels that had curtailed activities badly and caused serious congestion of boat traffic at public boat launches and considerable damage.

"These problems can create very dangerous situations for seniors living on the lake, particularly for those who have water access only. She spoke of boats in April being beached and a week later docks being under water, rendering some properties unusable. She talked about docks heaving off their footings and extensive damage that had been caused by tremendous fluctuations in water levels and said that there was talk of class action law suits.

"The problem for most of us is wondering what will happen next and how to prepare for it, she said.

These concerns seemed to either fall on deaf ears or result in a repeated pat response. Several times Mike Jamieson said, "The management program on the Trent-Severn is a complex business. The goals for Gull Lake have not changed. On the reservoir lakes the goal is still to fill them in the spring by May, continue to draw down over the summer months and prepare for log setting around Thanksgiving.

According to Jamieson water levels were influenced by a number of factors. He said the lakes upstream influence what happens on Gull Lake. "Mother nature drives our management program and what happened over the last few years can be attributed to nature."

Jamieson spoke of several unusual thaw events that had contributed to problems as well as significant rainfalls during April and May of last year.

Jamieson also reported that TSW had received funding to conduct a water management study that included climate change and its effects on the TSW corridor.

He repeated that their management and goals had not changed and they did the best they could to keep the water levels in the lake as stable as possible.

Sheppard interjected and showed water level charts from the TSW website that showed the water levels on lakes north of Gull and Moore Lakes stayed within normal ranges. However, the charts for Gull and Moore Lakes showed fluctuations that were above and below historic highs and lows.

He said, "This is over controlling. Water levels have fallen like a stone and there is volatility in the system."

Despite explanations of TSW's monitoring equipment and placement, ability to control some of the larger bodies of water and the use of logs in the damns, Reid insisted that something operational had changed over the last five years. She said, "Ten years ago, nobody talked about water level fluctuation. That's all changed. The evidence is clear that there is something procedurally different or I would not be here. The TSW and fluctuating water levels is all that the cottagers are talking about."

Reid said, "We're now five years into this and we're here today because of the level of frustration people are experiencing. The unpredictability of water levels is a serious problem and we want to find out why."

To a suggestion that each event was different and needed to be addressed on an individual basis, Reid said, "You need to go away and look at your statistics. Look at how you managed the system 10 years ago and determine what has changed. We would like some predictability and evidence of good management."

Peter Frood, Superintendent of TSW's Central Ontario Field Unit spoke about the study that would be conducted to review their management model and recommend refinements and said that it would be the vehicle to determine how they approached water management.

MP Barry Devolin asked if the study would include looking at historical data, but by this time the frustration level was high and Frood said that he was getting annoyed and took exception to Reid's suggestion that the water management program was not working.

He said, "Don't throw darts and grenades at us. We've seen drought and flood and I'm waiting now for pestilence. There have been unusual weather patterns including torrential rains in the spring causing problems."

Frood spoke of his team's work and devotion to providing a public service in a professional way, and how they struggled with all kinds of weather, stepping up to the plate to make adjustments under difficult circumstances. However he showed no willingness to look into Reid and Sheppard's concerns.

What he did say was that as many as 100 monitoring gauges were to be added to the system over the next two years and that all of the stop logs in Haliburton would be replaced to try to tighten things up as much as possible.

Devolin said that he had grown up in Haliburton agreed with Reid that water levels over the past five years had become a constant matter of concern. He voiced his satisfaction that there would be an assessment but reiterated that the historical data would provide a better indication of exactly what had happened over the years.

"There are a lot of competing interests, but you should be able to manage things better even without fundamental changes. There are new ways to do things and considerable funding went into Parks Canada to improve the system over the next two years."

Devolin also said that it was his observation that the government had shirked on their responsibility to invest in capital improvements to the system over the past 40 years causing a long and slow decline. He said, "I'd like to think that the system has touched bottom and we will catch up and make improvements. We should be able to do things better than 20 years ago."

Devolin also said that he sensed the absence of anyone looking at Reid's concerns or coming back with some definitive answers, adding that he would like to see the numbers. He acknowledged that there was absolutely no consensus at the meeting and said that he looked forward to reviewing the report when it was completed in the hope of getting some answers. ■

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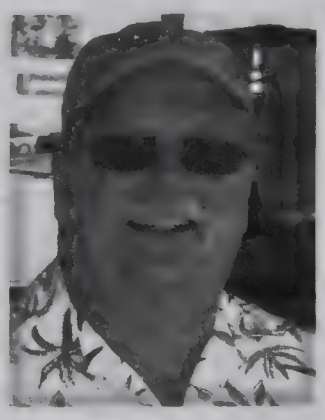
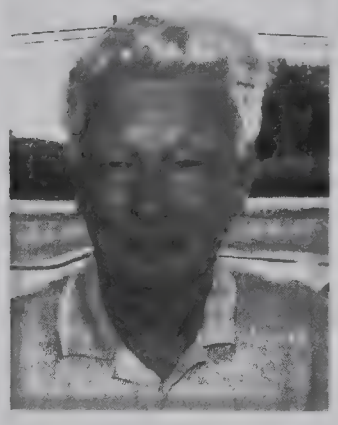
## Have Your Say... VOX POP

As of June 15, 2009, a total of 4,049 laboratory-confirmed cases of the H1N1 flu virus have been reported in all provinces and territories in Canada except Newfoundland. In Haliburton County there has been one confirmed case. Are you fearful of the outbreak or do you feel that it has been blown out of proportion? Are there any extra precautions that you've been taking while out in public since news broke of the virus?

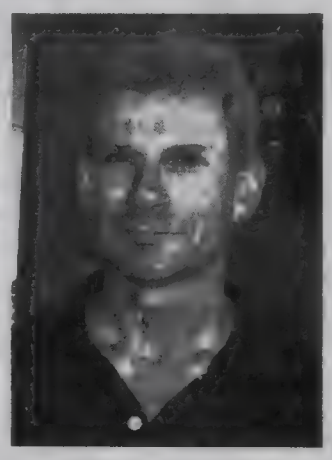


Don Geall, Minden – "No, I'm not fearful. I take precautions like washing my hands all the time, that's the biggest thing I can do. I don't think that we're at the stage where you have to wear a mask. It hasn't become like SARS (Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome) yet. If I were to get it, hopefully I'll be healthy enough to fight it off."

Gerry Robinson, Haliburton – "I think that it has become a media event. There are always deaths associated with the flu. I think that the media should control the information it puts out because it causes panic in the community. You always hear about those who fall victim to the virus but you don't hear much about survivors. I think everyone needs to carry out healthy living practices. I haven't taken any different precautions. I just make sure to wash my hands."



Jack Virgin, Haliburton – "I'm not really fearful. This virus seems to be milder than the flu's we normally see in the winter. I usually follow the same precautions. I don't make a point of visiting people when I'm sick and I stay away from those who have flu symptoms. I think it's blown out of proportion a bit but when there are cases in so many countries they have to claim a pandemic."



Richard Vannood, Haliburton – "I'm not fearful at all. I think it's blown out of proportion like many things. I don't take any different precautions than before. My mother is in Extendicare, so when I go into places like that I make sure to wash my hands. I also try to be aware of people sneezing around me. It seems that most people who succumb to this virus are the elderly or those who have other medical issues."

# Earthweek: A Diary of the Planet

*By Steve Newman*

## Displaced by Climate

A new report cautions that tens of millions of people will be forced to flee their homes over the next four decades due to a combination of climate change and rising sea levels. Researchers from United Nations University, CARE International and Columbia University write that while such climate relocations have long been predicted, they are already likely to be occurring. "While human migration and displacement is usually the result of multiple factors, the influence of climate change in people's decision to give up their livelihoods and leave their homes is growing," writes CARE's Charles Ehrhart, lead author of "*In Search of Shelter: Mapping the Effects of Climate Change on Human Migration.*" The report examines 2,000 households forced to move on five continents. In many cases, those fleeing their homes were the poorest of the poor, who could not afford to go far, the report says.

## Jumbos Oust Villagers

An ongoing series of raids by elephants from Mozambique's Quirimbas National Park into nearby farmland has forced the entire 5,000 families of Nraha to abandon their village. The country's *Noticias* daily reports the jumbos have ravaged crops and frightened children so much that they refuse to make the trip to school.

## Colombian Eruption

Nearly 8,000 people living in the shadow of southwest Colombia's Galeras volcano were ordered to evacuate as the mountain erupted twice within 24 hours. Ash rained down on nearby villages before the eruptions slowly subsided.

## Typhoon Tremors

Scientists say they have discovered that passing typhoons may trigger nearly imperceptible slow-moving earthquakes that actually protect the island of Taiwan from more devastating temblors. Carnegie Institution researchers used sensors installed hundreds of feet below the surface to monitor the creeping seismic movements, which can last hours or days instead of violent seconds. Writing in the journal *Nature*, they say they identified 20 slow quakes between 2002 and 2007, with none occurring during the typhoon-free season. Eleven of the 20 coincided directly with passing typhoons, and they created more complex seismic waves than the other slow movers. The strong difference in atmospheric pressure typhoons cause within a short distance between the land surface of Taiwan and sea bottom just offshore is believed to gently unclamp a nearby tectonic fault. This prevents geologic pressure from building up and eventually resulting in a major seismic rupture, the scientists said.

## Somaliland Swarms

Vast swarms of ravenous desert locusts have ravaged thousands of acres of crops in the self-declared republic of Somaliland, on the Horn of Africa. The head of the agricultural ministry in the breakaway Somalia region says the infestation is not likely to end within the next several weeks. Abdi-Kadir Jibril Tukale says the locusts have already buried fresh eggs inside 270 square miles near the coast. Besides crops, the mature locusts have eaten all of the foliage on trees as well as the grassland in the Salal and Awdal regions as they marched toward the Gulf of Aden.

## Earthquakes

A relatively mild quake in western Greece caused some damage near the epicenter, mainly to a hotel along the coast of the Corinthian Gulf.

• The city of Cleburne, Texas, hired a geologist after a swarm of tremors rattled the community for the first time in recorded history. Nearby extraction of natural gas is suspected.

• Earth movements were also felt in Wales, metropolitan Tokyo, the Yukon Territory/Alaska Panhandle, the San Francisco Bay Area and far western New York state.

## A Tad Rainy

Meteorologists in northeast Japan are baffled by reports of tadpoles that appear to have fallen from the sky, spattered on car windows, a parking lot and around a home. An office worker in the city of Nanao first reported the phenomenon after he heard a dull thud outside on the afternoon of June 4. The *Mainichi Daily News* reports dozens of the immature frogs were found early the following morning scattered around a home in Hakusan, about 25 miles to the southeast. While there are documented cases worldwide of terrestrial objects such as fish falling from the sky, known as "fafrotskies," there were no waterspouts or other winds in the area strong enough to have lifted the tadpoles into the sky, according to the local weather observatory. Some theorized the tadpoles could have been regurgitated from birds flying overhead, but the observatory dismissed the idea, saying the fallen amphibians wouldn't have been "in such a pristine state," when they reached the ground.

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# Hydro One Donates 10 Gs. to Kinark for Accessible Dock

Kinark Director Jim McHardy and Business Manager Carmen Hanak welcomed Hydro One's Minden Operations Manager Boyd Knox and MP Barry Devolin this month to announce the formal opening of a special "Accessible Dock" at Kinark's waterfront on Gray Lake.

Knox commented that "Hydro One is delighted to be able to give back to the Haliburton community with projects like this that will enrich the lives of so many people." MP Devolin added that Kinark's long tradition of environmental awareness and focus on education had made them an exemplary community citizen, and the creation of a dock specifically to accommodate the special needs of many of their clients was another case in point. McHardy also pointed out that, "Next to swimming, fishing is by far the most popular activity at our Centre and is considered by our staff to be a primary therapeutic intervention.

"The sense of achievement, the joy of the experience, and the social growth opportunity that comes from catching a fish is huge, particularly for those who have never had the chance to fish before, and who face physical, developmental and behavioural challenges. The contribution from Hydro One has allowed us to construct a dock that will enable so many more individuals the chance for these experiences."

The Kinark Outdoor Centre is a program of Kinark Child and Family Services. You can learn more about their services at www.kinark.on.ca. ■

*Business Manager Carmen Hanak, with MP Barry Devolin accepts cheque from Hydro Ones Boyd Knox*

*Above: This special accessible dock will allow many of Kanark's clients to fish and enjoy the lake in perfect safety*

# A Lovely Night at the Museum

## Fresh and Sassy Ladies Deliver Charismatic Performance at Folk Concert

Mark Arike
*Staff Reporter*

The spunky ladies who make up The Good Lovelies had concertgoers spellbound with their happy-go-lucky music and their charm during a performance at the Haliburton Highlands Museum recently. Opening up for the all-female group was Carnarvon singer/songwriter Ross Daniels.

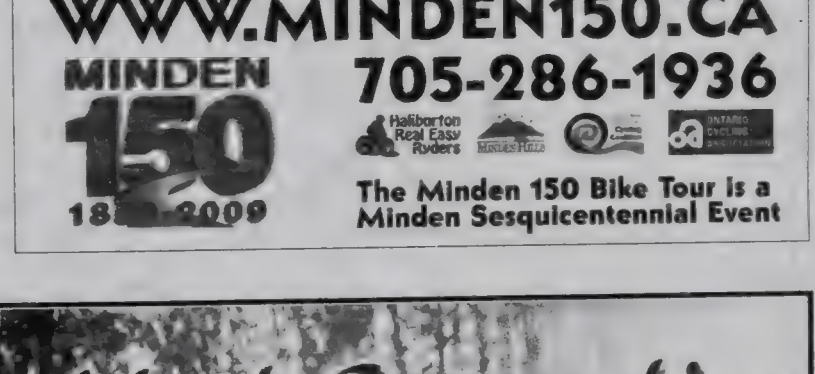
Almost 100 people filled the museum for the show hosted by the Haliburton County Folk Society (HCFS), making for a record-setting size crowd at the historic venue.

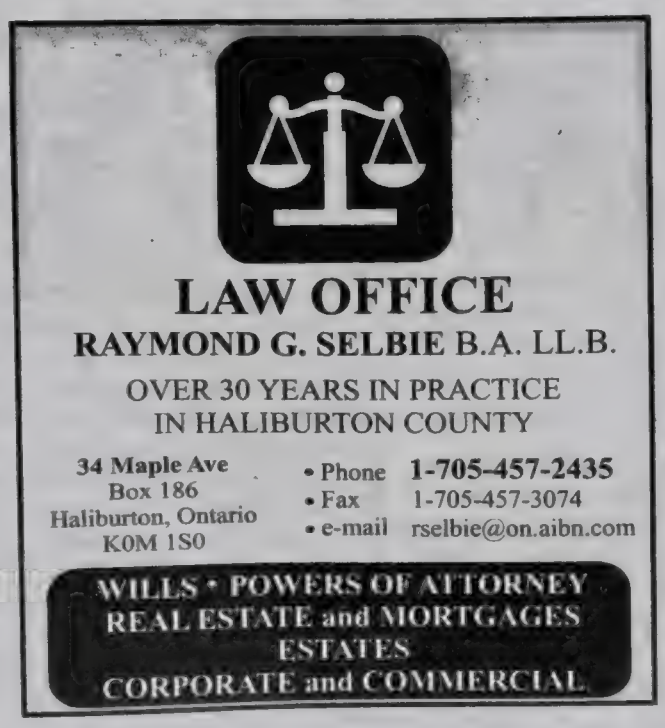
Sean Pennylegion, member of the HCFS, called it a "wonderful evening."

The Toronto-based group, made up of musicians Caroline Brooks, Kerri Ough and Sue Passmore, have been together for only two years. In that short period of time they've played at numerous clubs and coffee houses, half-a-dozen folk festivals, completed a 40-date tour from Montreal to Vancouver Island and released a five-track EP.

What's next on the list for this terrific trio? For the second year in a row they will share the stage with a host of other talented artists during the Mariposa Folk Festival in Orillia in July.

To stay abreast of all the events hosted by the HCFS visit www.haliburtonfolk.com. ■

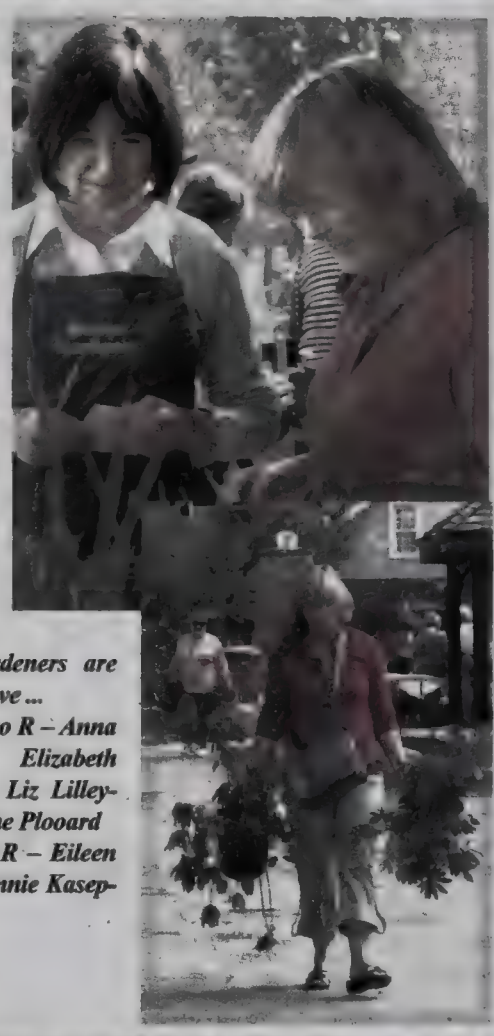





# Master Green-Thumbs hold Plant Sale

*Photos & Story By:*
Lyn Winans

Six master gardeners held a sale last Saturday morning at the Village Green in Minden. A wide variety of flowers and plants were available, and avid gardeners lined up to purchase their favourites and to seek advice on planting and cultivation. Master gardener certification requires an academic component, the successful completion of a certification exam along with practical training and volunteer hours. Accreditation can be completed through the University of Guelph or Nova Scotia Agricultural College. ■



*Master Gardeners are pictured above ... Standing L to R – Anna Holloway, Elizabeth Williamson, Liz Lilley-Case, Pauline Plooard Sitting L to R – Eileen Hughes, Winnie Kasepchuk*

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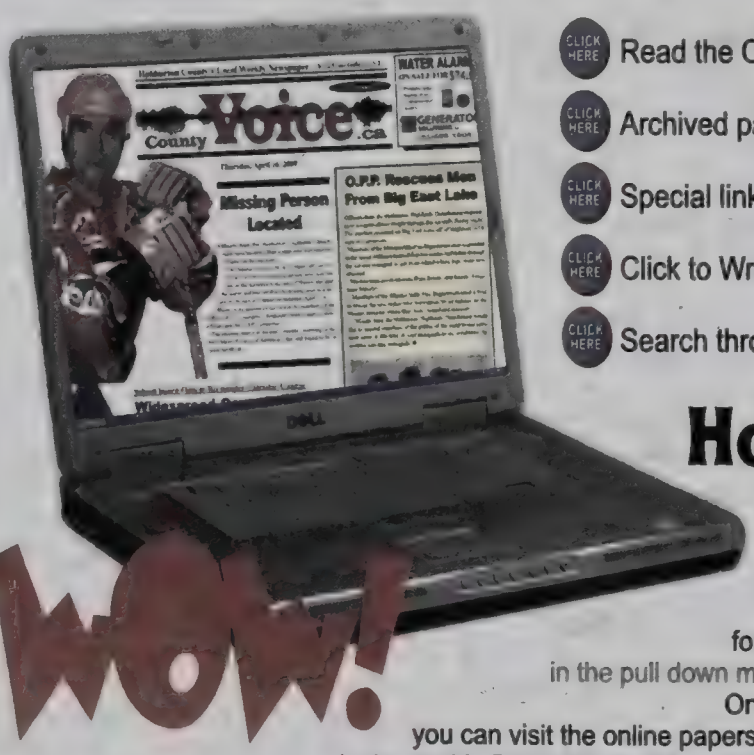


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# Motor Vehicle Collision On 118

(Haliburton, ON.) – Officers from the Haliburton Highlands Detachment are continuing their investigation into a motor vehicle collision yesterday morning. The collision occurred on Highway #118 west of the Little Boshkung Lake bridge.

The investigation revealed that a Mazda 6 was eastbound on Hwy#118 when it crossed over the centre line and into the westbound lane. The Mazda was then struck by a large delivery truck that was westbound on Hwy#118.

Members of the Algonquin Highlands Fire Department and EMS also attended the scene. The driver of the Mazda had to be extricated from his vehicle by fire department personnel.

The driver of the Mazda Murray Neill Skinkle 71 years of Creemore was taken by ambulance to the Minden hospital suffering from non-life threatening injuries.

The driver of the truck Gordon Commandant 46 years of Bala and a passenger in the truck were both taken by ambulance to the Minden hospital suffering from non-life threatening injuries.

Highway #118 had to be closed while officers investigated the collision. ■

# ASES Recognizes Students' Achie

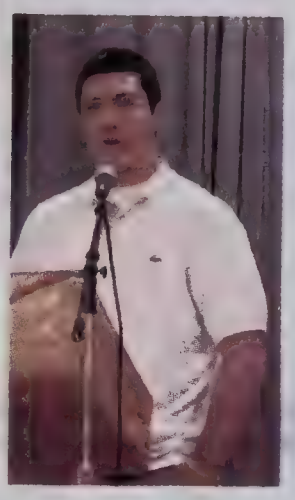
At an assembly Monday morning ASES grade 7 students were recognized for outstanding achievement and effort.

Academic awards were presented to Haley Acorn, Lisa Kim and Megan Milburn who attained Provincial Honours (80 percent plus) or ASES Scholar (75-79 percent) in all subject areas. It requires much diligence and commitment over the course of the whole year to earn an academic award. Students need to excel in English, French, math, geography, history, music, art, dramadance, science and learning skills to obtain this academic award.

Matt Duchene was on hand to give athletic awards to Jordan Hamilton for athletic achievement, and Alex Litwin and Tyler Johnson-Perrin for sportsmanship.

Citizenship awards were also given to many students for their efforts in helping with various school programs that enhance school life at ASES.

A special plaque, the Ontario Principal's School Leadership Award, was presented to grade 6 student Erin Little by Principal Joan Harpell. The Principal's Award is given to a student in grades 4 to 7 who has demonstrated leadership capability in the classroom, acts as a positive role model, willingly takes on extra responsibilities, respects the viewpoint of others, exhibits good peer interactions and shows initiative and problem solving skills. ■



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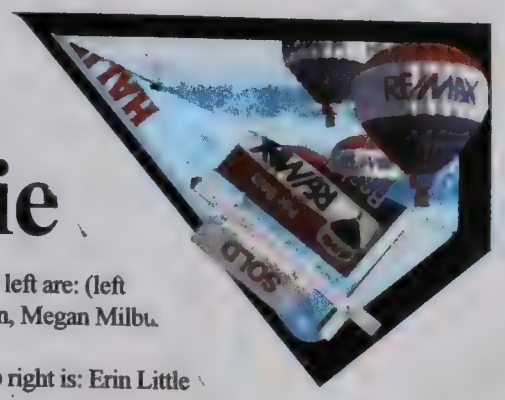

- Pictured far left are: (left Haley Acorn, Megan Milbu
- Pictured top right is: Erin Little
- Pictured far left bottom: Jordan Ha Duchene, Tyler Johnson-Perrin, Alex Li
- Pictured at the mike is: Matt Duchene


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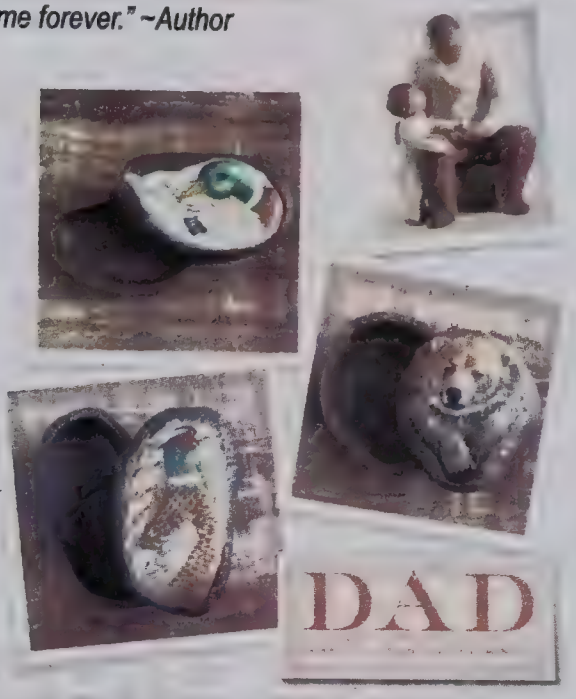


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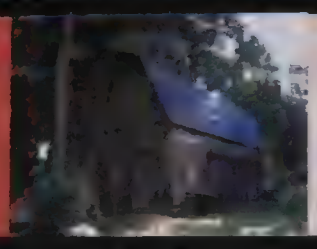

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### Kennisis Lake - $995,000

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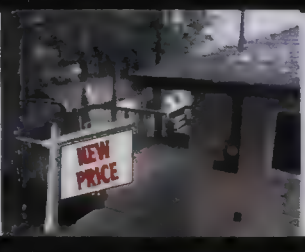


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### Deeded Access Canning - $189,900

This lg home is set on a gorgeous 2 acre lot which is private, well treed & located close to Minden. The building offers lots of space for the whole family including 4 bdrm, 3 baths, lg family rm, & a nice new kitchen. Furance & oil tank recently installed new & the garage/shop is insulated. Top all this off with deeded access to Canning Lake

### Deeded Access Kennisis River - $159,900

Nice bright home or cottage offering year round access, 2.3 acres and deeded access to the Kennisis River for fishing, swimming and conoeing. You'll be suprised at how warm and welcoming this little house is from the upper master with ensuite to the awsome oak kitchen, sunroom & den. All of the recent upgrades have been hand crafted with care and attention. It has a garage too!

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### Stothart Creek - $449,000

Still under construction - Bayou Cottage on .86 ac is 2.2 km from Haliburton. Main flr ensuite, with walk-in shower & soaker tub, features a lg master closet & private room for reading & entertainment. The 2nd flr with balcony hall, abundant closets & storage, has 3 lg br and 2 baths. The rec room could provide an additional suite for family with an optional separate ent from the garage.

### Kashagawigamog Lake - $789,900

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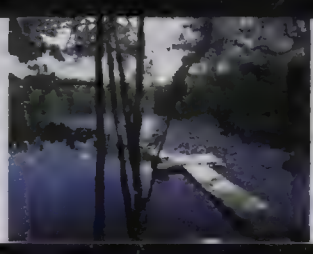

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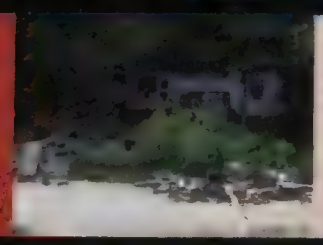

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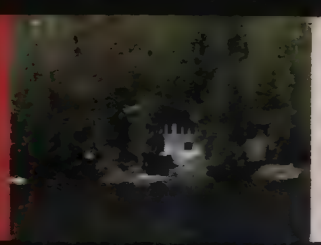

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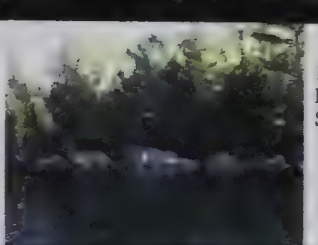

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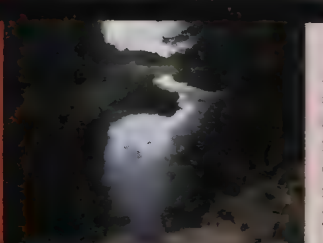

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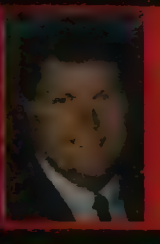

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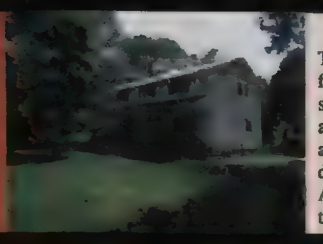
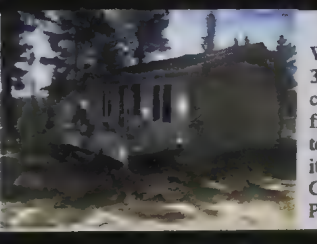


**Harcourt - $169,900**
This 2 storey home provides 3 bdrms, office, den, family rm & more with over 1900 sq. ft. of living space, eat in kitchen with oak cupboards and adjoining dining room, hardwood ash flooring. 2 acres of property, mini barn with hydro and water, double size garage with workshop. Close to Algonquin Park with nature, bike and riding trails, this is a great place for the family & great value!



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# Relay For Life – "Sombre, Joyous, – and a Great Success"

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There were 612 participants in this year's event, down slightly from last year, who marched through the night to the accompaniment of various bands and entertainers. There were also over 200 participants in the "survivors' walk", one of the most powerful and stirring portions of the night. "It's a night that's sombre and joyous all at the same time," said Iles. "But it's above all a community event, where people can see old friends, and connect with all those whose families have been affected by cancer, which must be just about all of us."

The attention to detail in the event was even more impressive than in the past two years. The Stanley Cup final was beamed in to the appreciative crowd. In the morning the tents, generators, and stages were gone within a few hours: "I did a final sweep at about noon, and there was scarcely enough bits of garbage about to fill a small bag," said Iles, grateful for the respect for the event – and its surroundings – that the over 1000 participants, volunteers, and survivors showed. ■

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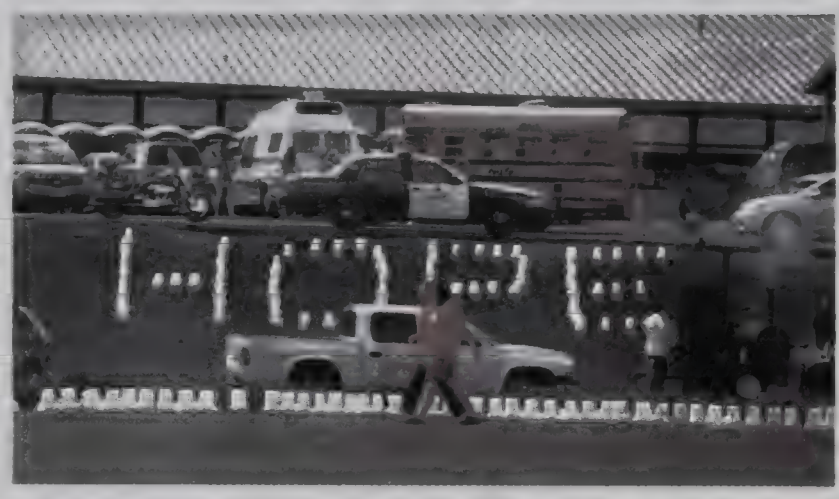
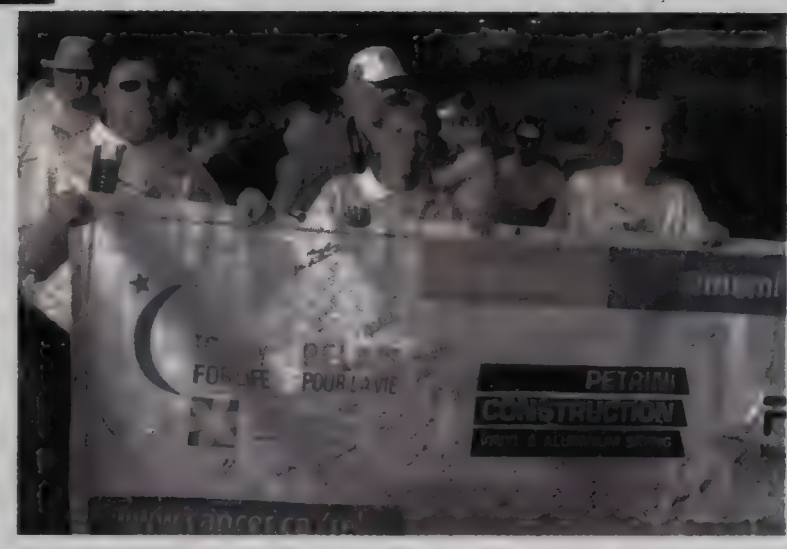
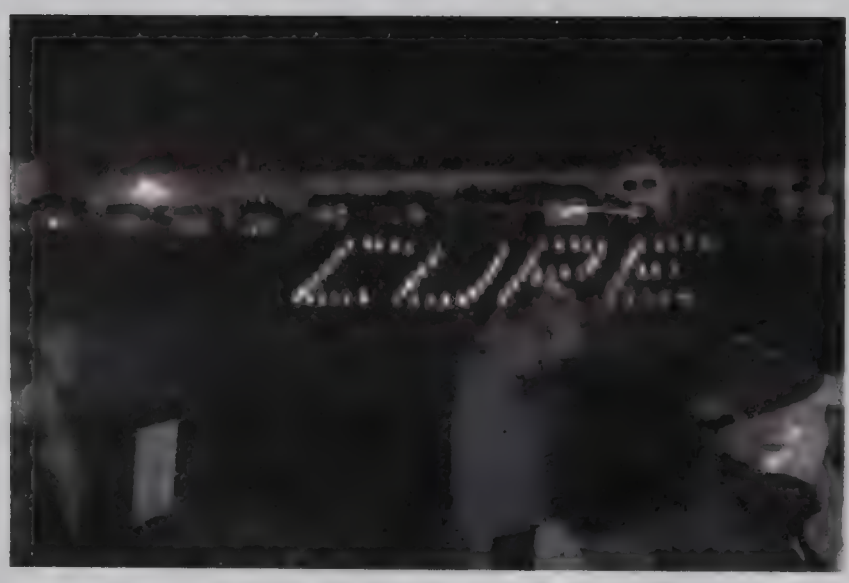
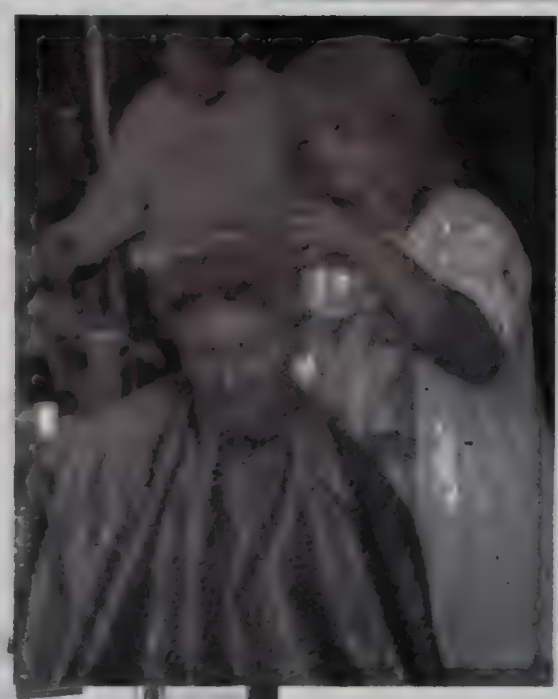
*Photos by* Shawn Welsh

Highlights from the evening's events including lots of walking, entertainment, lights of hope, and massages and pampering - all for a great cause!







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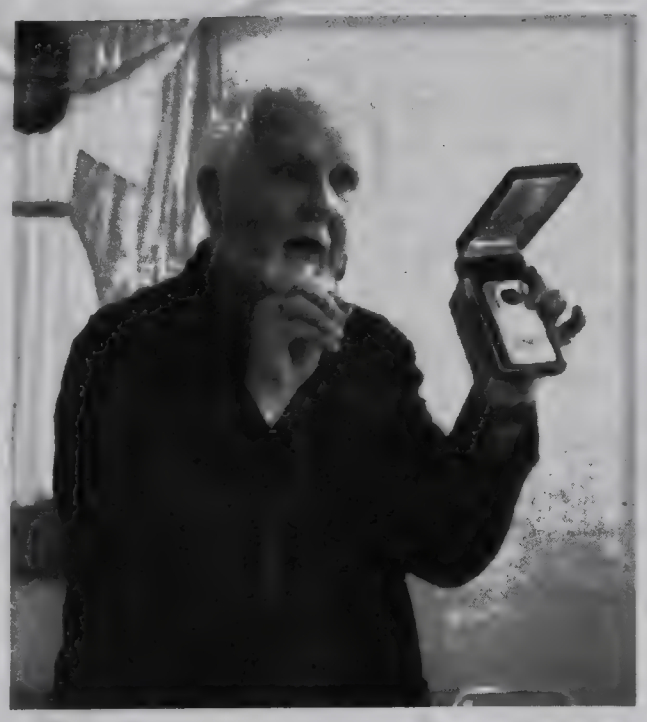
# Locals Get the Scoop on Hearing Loss



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Terrance Gavan
*Staff Reporter*

Is hearing loss a normal part of the aging process?

Well, the short answer is yes.

But the good news is that age-related hearing loss - with the proper diagnosis, and with the aid of some emerging technology – can be managed quite effectively.

Gord Kidd, manager of the Minden hearing Loss Clinic and Elinor St. Louis, a representative of the Canadian Hearing Society, were on hand at the United Church in Haliburton last Friday morning to give presentations and to answer questions regarding hearing loss issues to a group of very interested participants.

Kidd came armed with a vast array of instrumentation and gave a thorough presentation of the various factors that go hand-in-hand with hearing loss in the aging population.

A big problem associated with age-related hearing loss is denial and a reluctance to have the problem diagnosed.

Kidd and St. Louis both said that people suffering from significant hearing loss might end up feeling stressed about everyday interaction. The constant need for clarification is embarrassing. It can put a strain on relationships. It can ostracize the listener from normal interaction.

"People often tend to back away from social activities, because they become frustrated," says Kidd. This can lead to isolating tendencies, and that, said St. Louis, can eventually lead to depression as people with hearing deficit issues simply refuse to attend events, parties or family gatherings.

"They get embarrassed with constantly asking 'what?' " says Kidd.

Kidd says that it's too bad, because he explains that with today's vast strides in technology - especially in the area of digitally enhanced hearing aids - elderly people need not suffer with severely debilitating hearing issues.

He held up two hearing aids during the course of his presentation. One, circa 1970's is absolutely huge, the size of a package of cigarettes. The other, a miniscule skin tone unit is almost too tiny to see. He says that today's hearing aid technology is enabling a large number of Highlands' residents to once again enjoy a superb quality of hearing. And that he says also leads to a rapid upsurge in quality of life.

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"The new digital hearing aids are programmed specifically to your own hearing loss," Kidd explains. Some people suffer low end or bass loss, and other people experience high-end tonal deficiencies. He says that with the properly managed use of an aid, many of his clients are enjoying near normal hearing, after suffering for years with "the whats."

So is hearing loss as we age normal?

"The quick answer is yes, hearing loss is a normal part of aging," says Kidd. However he also explained that not all people encounter hearing loss in their old age.

"Between 45 and 50 we find that people may start noticing a slight drop in hearing," said Kidd. He explained that factors leading to hearing loss might include heredity, environmental factors – like noisy workplaces – and trauma.

Kidd also told the audience that a gene associated with age-related hearing loss has also been identified. Prebycusis, or age-related hearing loss accounts for 30 percent of all hearing loss. It's an important study because finding the genetic cause of age-related hearing loss could also lead to effective treatments.

Kidd said that while this is heartening news, it doesn't help people who are already suffering from the often-debilitating effects of hearing loss.

Kidd said that his Minden hearing Loss Clinic – which book appointment times in Haliburton as well – deals mainly with the implementation of strategies which will bring some degree of normalcy back to people's lives.

He said that people should consider having their hearing tested – a free service offered by Kidd's clinic – in their late forties to early fifties.

"We really encourage people to have their hearing checked early," says Kidd. "We can get a baseline for future tests, when a person gets into their sixties or seventies."

Kidd says that the baseline is important because once taken, a clinic can then detect whether or not someone is undergoing a significant hearing loss as they age. Their baseline readings at 45 to 50 are used to assess progressive deficit situations and that can help the specialist in determining a course of corrective action.

Kidd says that hearing loss - behind blood pressure and arthritis - is the third largest medical problem encountered by Canada's aging population. Being proactive in your forties and fifties can help alleviate many of the hearing deficits that one may encounter later in life, says Kidd.

St Louis, who says she is looking forward to teaming up with Kidd, says the hearing society has received the go-ahead to offer service in the Highlands area. "Hearing loss touches us and can impact so many things in our lives," says St. Louis. "Sometimes people get angry with their spouses or family, but there are also safety issues involved as well."

St. Louis came with her own array of gadgets, from decibel-enhanced phones to devices that can assist with flashed warnings for doorbells and phones, as well as sound enhancing units for television and radio.

"Hearing loss often makes it difficult to manage your world," says St. Louis. She adds that the hearing society, a not for profit organization, searches out the best deals for clients and sells the units at cost.

The hearing society also offers home visits, counseling and an ongoing network of education to clients over the age of 55.

So if you're over 45 and haven't had your hearing checked, Kidd and St. Louis both suggest that you consider it.

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# Bancroft Area Hunt Camp Members Fined $30,000 For Moose Poaching

Eight men belonging to a Bancroft area hunting camp and charged with 35 offences have been fined a total of $30,000.

The eight men, members of the Bear Shanty Hunt Camp, pleaded guilty to numerous offences under the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act related to poaching moose off the Old Hastings Road in the Township of Faraday.

Lionel Towle, of Whitby, pleaded guilty to killing a bull and cow moose without the authority of a licence, possessing and transporting the illegally killed animals, making a false statement to a conservation officer, and displaying a void licence. He was fined a total of $9,000 for these offences, his rifle was forfeited to the Crown and his hunting licence was suspended for two years.

Richard Towle, of Bancroft, pleaded guilty to unlawfully hunting a bull moose, unlawfully possessing and transporting the moose, and using and permitting a void licence to be displayed. He was fined a total of $6,000 and his hunting licence was suspended for two years.

Craig Towle, of Cavan, pleaded guilty to possessing and transporting the bull and cow moose that Lionel Towle had illegally killed. He was fined a total of $2,000 and his hunting licence was suspended for one year.

Deane Card, of Bancroft, pleaded guilty to the same charges, was fined a total of $2,000 and had his hunting licence suspended for one year.

Randy Wood, of Bancroft, pleaded guilty to possessing and transporting the bull moose that Lionel Towle had illegally killed and making false statements to a conservation officer. He was fined a total of $4,000 and his hunting licence was suspended for one year.

Paul Varty, of Cameron, pleaded guilty to possessing and transporting the bull moose Lionel Towle illegally killed and making a false statement to a conservation officer. He was fined $3,500 and his hunting licence was suspended for one year.

Paul Neath, of Stouffville, pleaded guilty to the same charges and was fined a total of $1,500.

An eighth man pleaded guilty to possessing and transporting the bull and cow moose that Lionel Towle had illegally killed. He was fined a total of $1,500 and his hunting licence was suspended for one year.

All moose meat seized during the investigation was forfeited to the Crown.

The court heard that, on October 24, 2008, while on patrol during the moose hunt, conservation officers conducted a routine camp check of the Bear Shanty Hunt Camp and spoke with Lionel Towle at the camp. Lionel Towle had four moose quarters from a bull moose he claimed to have killed during their hunt. Lionel advised that his brother, Richard, had tagged the moose and it was the only moose that the Bear Shanty Hunt Camp had killed during the hunt.

On further investigation, the remains of two additional adult moose were discovered. DNA samples were collected and the ministry's canine unit was brought in and found two spent 30-06 casings near the kill site.

The investigation revealed that on opening day of the moose hunt, Paul Varty shot a bull moose and the camp used its only adult moose tag. A couple of days later, Lionel Towle shot an additional bull and cow moose for which the party had no licences. The Bear Shanty camp re-used the original bull tag on the second bull and gave away the cow to a hunt camp located south of the Bear Shanty Hunt Camp.

Over 30 officers from five different Ministry of Natural Resources districts were involved in the investigation.

Members of the camp who accepted the cow moose from Bear Shanty Hunt Camp will appear in court on July 7, 2009, to answer to charges laid against them.

Justice of the Peace Barry Moran heard the case in the Ontario Court of Justice, Bancroft, on June 2, 2009.

To report a natural resources violation, call 1-877-TIPS-MNR (847-7667) toll-free any time or contact your local ministry office during regular business hours. You can also call Crime Stoppers anonymously at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477). ■

# Illegal Moose Hunt Garners $20,000 In Fines

After an 18-month investigation and two-day trial, a Sebright man has been fined $12,000 and suspended from hunting for illegal moose hunting.

Clementino Ferreira, 60, was fined $6,000 for illegally hunting a moose and $6,000 for abandoning it and allowing it to spoil. He was also suspended from hunting for five years and forfeited his firearm to the Crown.

Court heard that on January 4, 2007, conservation officers from the Minden area, acting on a complaint from the public, attended a location near Sebright in the City of Kawartha Lakes and found an abandoned moose kill site. The Ministry of Natural Resources used a canine unit, search warrants, DNA and forensic analysis to show that Ferreira and another man were hunting together on December 28, 2006, and shot and killed a moose during the closed season. The pair planned to retrieve the moose from the bush but decided to abandon it and left it to spoil after seeing someone else in the area. Justice of the Peace Diane Jackson heard the case in the Ontario Court of Justice, Lindsay, on May 22, 2009. The second man involved was previously fined $8,000, received a five-year hunting licence suspension, and forfeited his firearm to the Crown To report a natural resources violation, call 1-877-TIPS-MNR (847-7667) toll-free any time or contact you local ministry office during regular business hours. You can also call Crime Stoppers anonymously at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477). ■

# G8 Will Cause Traffic Congestion

## OPP Advises School Board to Prepare for Possible Closure of Hwy 60 During Summit

**"The largest security operation in the world." – Tim Charlebois, Acting OPP Superintendent**

Mark Arike
*Staff Reporter*

Although the 2010 G8 Summit is still one year away from being held at the Deerhurst Resort in Huntsville, the planning of the massive event is well underway.

At a regular meeting of the Trillium Lakelands District School Board (TLDSB) on Tuesday, June 9, trustees heard from the OPP about some of the security measures that will be taken for the three-day gathering of world leaders from June 25 – 27, 2010.

Tim Charlebois, Acting OPP Superintendent for the G8, said that the influx of people to the town will definitely cause traffic congestion and could result in a complete closure of Hwy 60.

"It doesn't matter who you are, there's a very good chance that Hwy 60 will be restricted to you," said Charlebois. "It's very likely that the only people who will be allowed through security zones will be those who live there and emergency personnel."

Charlebois explained that those who live in identified security zones would require card accreditation in order to pass through the area.

"We know this is going to inconvenience people. What we are trying to do is get that message out now so that people can plan ahead," he said, adding that the number of security personnel alone will cause a slowdown in traffic.

Charlebois stated that the G8 is "the largest security operation in the world."

Trustees are giving consideration to the information that was presented to them and have asked staff to put forward a plan to accommodate students during the days around the G8.

The 36th G8 Summit will be the fifth meeting of its kind to be held in Canada since 1976. The G8 is composed of the world's eight leading economic powers: Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Russia, the United Kingdom and the United States.

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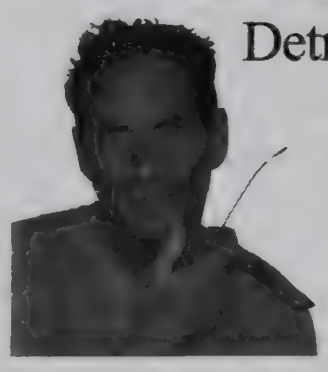
# Crosby Passes off the Allegations of "Snubbery"

## Detroit's Kris Draper all whine and no cheese



Terrance Gavan
*Sports Editor*

I grew up in Ottawa, listening to General Grant on CFRA radio's morning drive show.

He had a little motto that he recited at the end of every show.

"If you win say little … and if you lose say less."

So. In the spirit of the Good General's signature sign-off.

"Shut up Kris Draper!"

That would be Kris Draper, the yawning maw of the Stanley Cup losing Detroit Red Wings.

That would be Kris Draper, the social conscience and etiquette convenor of the National Hockey League.

That would be the same mealy-mouthed Draper who roundly criticized Sidney Crosby for snubbing many Wings' players - including captain Nicklas Lidstrom – by "refusing" to shake hands at the end of Game seven of the Stanley Cup Finals last Friday at the Joe in Detroit.

Dear Kris: Kindly pack up your bags, unpack your clubs, head out onto the links and leave your junk at the door of the Joe. Oh, and shut your cheesy yap.

We don't want to hear that mealy mouth whining, and that harpy's scrunch about Sid The Kid.

And by the way Kris.

You lost. So just please shut up.

Draper says he has every right to criticize.

Lidstrom was up front of a handshake line, followed by the alternate captain Draper, congratulating many of the new champions while waiting for Sid the Kid.

"Nick was waiting and waiting, and Crosby didn't come over to shake his hand," Draper told an Associated Press reporter a couple hours later as he was leaving Joe Louis Arena. "That's ridiculous, especially as their captain, and make sure you write that I said that!"

The AP guy did as he was told, launching a firestorm of rebuke, rebuttal, righteousness, and rectitude.

I don't recall how many Detroit players' hands Crosby shook after the game. I do know he did take time to commiserate with Johan Franzen. A second period Franzen hit put Crosby out of the game. If Crosby was going to snub anyone it would have been Franzen.

I'm assuming that Franzen didn't apologize for the hit, I'm sure Crosby didn't expect one.

And Sidney Crosby isn't apologizing to Draper or anyone else for unintentionally failing to shake hands with some Detroit players after winning the Cup last Friday evening at the Joe.

Crosby said that he didn't realize the Red Wings were leaving the ice before he joined the handshake line.

After that game seven 2-1 victory Crosby was rushed to several live TV interviews by NHL personnel, hugged some teammates and was handed the Stanley Cup by commissioner Gary Bettman.

And so Crosby was celebrating when Red Wings captain Nicklas Lidstrom, alternate captain Kris Draper and some other key Red Wings players skated off the ice and to their dressing room.

Big deal.

Crosby himself estimates he shook hands with about half the team, including goalie Chris Osgood and coach Mike Babcock, who congratulated him on his leadership ability.

That wasn't enough to satisfy Draper.

Again. Big deal.

Crosby finds any suggestion that he would intentionally avoid shaking hands a little disingenuous.

"It's the easiest thing in the world to shake hands after you win," said Crosby, in a TSN story.

"I really don't need to talk to anyone from Detroit about it," Crosby said Sunday. "I made the attempt to go shake hands. I've been on that side of things, too, I know it's not easy, waiting around. I just won the Stanley Cup, and I think I have the right to celebrate with my teammates.

"On their side of things, I understand if they don't want to wait around."

At 21, Crosby is the youngest captain to win a Stanley Cup, but he is an avid follower of the game, its storied history and its entrenched traditions. He would never intentionally stoop to snub. Draper on the other hand stomped some sour grapes into a sublime mash with his stilted and mealy allegations.

"I had no intentions of trying to skip guys and not shake their hands," Crosby said. "I think that was a pretty unreasonable comment. The guys I shook their hands with, they realized I made the attempt. If I could shake half their team's hands, I'm sure the other half wasn't too far behind. I don't know what happened there."

And that explanation, from Crosby should be enough from Draper. □

"I have no regrets," added Crosby, already at 21, wise beyond Draper's years. "I've been on both sides of it, and it's not fun being on the losing end. But it doesn't change anything. You still shake hands no matter what."

"Nobody respects the traditions of hockey more than Sidney Crosby," team vice president Tom McMillan said via AP News. "It was a young team celebrating its first Cup and some of the guys might have been a little late getting into the handshake line."

And while we're talking apologies.

Exactly how many toe-to-toe confrontations went on in the course of this very exciting seven game Stanley Cup hockey series?

About time for Brian Burke, Don Cherry, Michael Farber, Gary Bettman, and a host of other pro-fight cognoscente, to apologize to "real" hockey fans in general for continuing to insist that, "fighting is, was, and always will be … part of the game!"

Please, fellas. Do me a solid. Take a look at the viewing totals for a series conducted miles removed from the milieu of the junkyard dog and brawler mindset.

And the next time you wish to spout generic about the efficacy of fighting in the game of hockey. And how much we need it.

Do me a favor and a Draper.

"Shut Up!"■

# Recreational Soccer League Girds for Another Season

If you haven't already submitted your application to the Haliburton Recreational Soccer League, convener Amy Klose is urging you to please get your application in as soon as possible.

The adult portion of the league is slated to being next Tuesday June 23rd at the Haliburton High School pitches. The first two adult league games will get underway at 6:30 pm. All future Tuesday night games will get underway at 7:30 pm to accommodate kids soccer leagues which are slated to begin Tuesday July 6th and runs until August 25th.

Klose plans to run the leagues similar to last year. She is expecting a full slate of four adult co-ed teams and a large number of kids teams.

The league is based strictly on a fair-play, no-contact paradigm.

Fees for the adult league are $35 and the league will extend from June 23rd until September. No set date has been determined for league playoffs.

Most of the kid's registration was completed earlier in the spring, but Klose says that parents can still get their entry fee of $30 in if they want their kids to participate in the fun league.

Parents and adult players should contact klose at a.klose@tldsb.on.ca as soon as possible if they are interested in playing.

Kid's registration is $30 and includes a free tee-shirt.

The age restrictions for youth soccer is age four and up. Kids have to have running shoes and any children eight and over should have shin pads. Adults are also required to wear shin pads in order to compete in the fun league.

Klose stresses that all adults should be aware that the co-ed league is strictly a fun league, again no contact and decorum should be exercised at all times.

If you haven't registered, please do so before Tuesday as Klose said she is trying to have the teams set by this weekend at the latest.■

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# Alex Vassos Makes the Cut on Eastern Ontario Football Squad

## Red Hawk player will be traveling to Saskatoon for pigskin tourney

Terrance Gavan
*Sports Editor*

Alex Vassos is a polite young man.

But make no mistake.

On the football field he eschews the niceties.

Alex Vassos stands 6'2" and tips the scales at about 225 pounds.

And he's only 16.

He plays offensive tackle on a superb Hal High Red Hawk football team.

Tackles are in the protection business. They pass protect for their quarterback and they run protect for the backs.

No glory in the trenches. But Alex Vassos, like most offensive linemen, is used to the plodding irreverence.

Earlier this spring, his high school coach Tim Davies asked Alex if he'd be interested in trying out for the eastern Ontario Under 17 football squad.

The soft-spoken and superbly talented Vassos says it hadn't occurred to him before Davies broached the subject. Even though Red Hawk running back Brock Brown had his own stirring run with the 2008 Eastern Ontario under-17 squad last season.

"It was coach Davies who came to me," smiles Vassos. "I hadn't really thought about it before that."

Alex says he was moved by Davies' recommendation, thought about it for a second, and jumped at the challenge.

The team-building and cut process started at a Durham area training camp back on March 28th.

For Vassos - who maintained his solid composure through a series of training camps in the winnowing tryout camp process - it will culminate with a trip to the Canada Cup Under-17 football championships in Saskatoon beginning on July 1st.

Alex says the process was grueling, but rewarding.

"I went down in April to Durham for a regional tryout," says Vassos. "And then there was a tryout two weeks after and they cut us down from 160 players to about 80 or so."

It was at that point that Vassos really thought he had a shot at making the squad.

At the two-day final cuts camp held in Kingston on the weekend of May 2nd and 3rd Vassos was pushed but did not bend.

Even though he and the quarterback from Holy Cross High in Peterborough were among a very slim rota of players invited from the rural football leagues, Alex says he was prepared for the challenge and simply went out and did what he does best. Block, pass protect and persevere.

It was enough for head coach Lee Barrette and the coaching staff made up of coaches from junior and the university ranks including U of Ottawa Gee-Gee coach Chris Coulson.

"It was high level competition," smiles Alex, over a Coke at McKeck's Place patio last Saturday. "There were not a lot of people from country schools … most of the players were from city teams." Hal High is a double-A rural school and having two players in consecutive years picked to the squad says something about the high level of coaching here in the Highlands.

Brock Brown will be representing Canada in a tournament in Hawaii this July and has also been invited to the McMaster University football training camp in August.

Vassos says that Brown's various accomplishments did not go unnoticed. He says that this sweet little dovetail, and chance to play before a full slate of Canadian College coaches who will be surveying things quite closely in Saskatoon come July, is just a great opportunity.

Alex will head into the Ottawa training camp as the back up tackle and center on a team filled with a pretty awesome array of talent. He says that in training and tryouts he was pitted against tackles who measured 6'5" and weighed in at around 300 pounds.

He was never intimidated though, and maintains that he still feels very comfortable with his spot on the squad. He says that the camps provided a huge learning experience. "They were different than our own practices here in Haliburton," smiles Vassos. "The camps were run, I'd say, more like a university practice, a little more in depth and quite specialized. They load you up with a lot of information."

Alex says he's looking forward to a very invigorating start to his summer.

He'll be at the Ottawa training camp from June 27th to June 30th and the Canada Cup Under-17 tourney gets underway on July 4th and goes to July 10th.

The team travels to Saskatoon on Monday June 30th where they will be billeted at the University of Saskatchewan. A mini-camp is slated for July 1st to the 3rd with games beginning on Saturday July 4th. Game two is on Tuesday July 7th and the final game is scheduled for Friday, July 10th. Vassos and his teammates will return home on Saturday July 11th.

The eight tourney teams include Ontario East and West, Alberta South, and Alberta North, BC, Saskatchewan, Manitoba and Quebec.

The objective of the tournament is to promote the game of football to Canada's youth, encourage individuals to participate in football at a highest level of competition, and to instill a life long commitment to fitness, fair-play, and fun through recreational and organized games of football.

Focusing on excellence, teamwork, leadership and competition, the Football Canada Cup has become recognized as one of Canada's finest competition events of the year. Every year, players get to meet new people and explore new parts of Canada's nation.

Alex says it will be an excellent opportunity. "It gets you ready for the style of play in university and if you are contemplating playing university ball this is excellent training," says Alex.

Also, there will be that all-important exposure to an array of scouts and coaching staffs from US and Canadian universities.

Of course Alex says he also owes much thanks to the many Minden residents who made the trip possible by supporting him through the purchase of raffle tickets. He says he also owes a big shout out to the Minden Lions and the Minden Kinsmen clubs who both contributed to defray some portion of his expenses.

He's still in grade 11 and says that he's looking forward to his final season next year in a Red Hawk uniform.

And after that he is already looking at some possibilities to extend that career into the college ranks. "I'm going to university and I'd like to play university ball as well," smiles Alex.

Alex is also a good student, and is looking at a possible career in engineering. "I really don't know right now," says Alex.

Of course he's ready for the prospect of 10 days of intense trench warfare.

That's evident in the smile.

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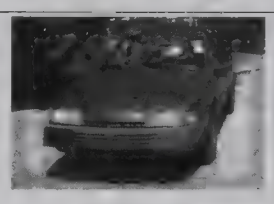

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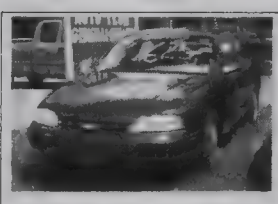

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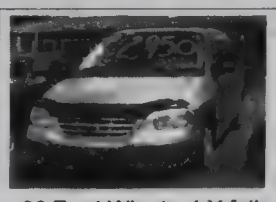

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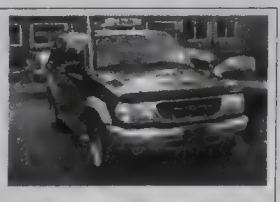

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# Cycling for Cancer Research, Local Rider Reaches Goal

## Five hour stint at Todd's recently pushes van Berlo over the top

Terrance Gavan
*Staff Reporter*

Cancer is personal.

Most people have encountered it somewhere, midst the detritus of a life lived.

It's part of life. And death. We have all been touched.

A mother, father, a sister or a brother. A friend, a colleague.

We all know survivors and too many of us know victims.

Terry Fox is credited with starting a trend.

For instilling a notion in a lot of noggins, about what we can do to raise money for cancer research.

The offshoot from the Terry Fox odyssey, which ended too soon in Thunder Bay, is spellbinding, gratifying and uplifting.

Today around the world, athletes are riding, running, skipping rope and iron manning for cancer.

Raising millions.

John Van Berlo is an Ingoldsby resident.

The Ride to Conquer Cancer benefiting the Jewish General Hospital is a cycling journey from Montreal to Quebec City. Come July 11th Van Berlo, who is a machinist at Auriga Design here in Haliburton, will be mounting up and starting the two-day Ride to Conquer Cancer.

Why?

Well, he's been touched by cancer. He'll be riding for a family friend, Marion Irek, the father of his good friend Mark. Mark and John grew up together in St. Catharines, Ontario.

Marion died at age 46 of brain cancer.

"Mark and I were only 19 & 20 at the time," says Van Berlo. "It was a horrible time for Mark and his family, one that I will never forget."

As he pedals from Montreal to Quebec City he'll be remembering Marion. But he'll also be remembering other people in his life who have been touched by cancer.

A woman who used to babysit. An aunt. A friend. Some survivors and some victims.

This ride. This exercise has been a learning experience for John Van Berlo.

It places perspective on the enormity of this scourge. How it envelops lives.

*John and Angela Van Berlo*

"I'm riding for them, but I'm also riding for everyone who has been affected by cancer," said Van Berlo last Saturday, from atop his stationary bike on the sidewalk in front of Todd's Independent Grocer in Haliburton.

Last Saturday morning, when he set up his bike in front of Todd's, he was still a little over $400 short of his goal of $2500. (That's the magic number all riders must raise to participate in the Montreal to Quebec City ride to Conquer Cancer.)

In a little over four hours of non-stop pedaling last Saturday he watched incredulously as the generous people of the Haliburton Highlands pushed him past his goal.

They came, they stopped and they pressed money into the jar.

Kind people. Gentle, giving people here in the Highlands.

"I would like to thank everyone for making it possible for me to be able to ride to conquer cancer," said John last Sunday, after the proceeds from the ride were tabulated. "It was a great feeling to hear people thanking me for supporting such a cause."

The people who gave last Saturday will be glad to hear that funds raised in The Ride to Conquer Cancer will support breakthrough research, exemplary teaching, and compassionate care at the Jewish General Hospital.

John was essentially moved by an especially heartrending moment.

A man put some money in the jar, turned to John, who was still pedaling, and shook his hand. There was a tear glistening on his cheek.

He told John, "I buried my father just yesterday... he died of cancer."

He thanked John. And he moved on.

A weight, perhaps lifted, just for a moment, from slumping shoulders, and that unending grief?

Kindness glistening from the spokes spinning in the sun.

The kindness of strangers.

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Angie at the wheel, in the car, and John on the pedals.

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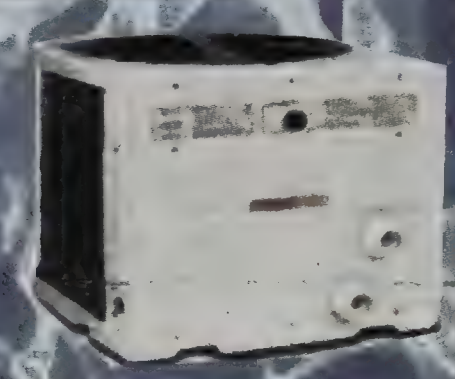

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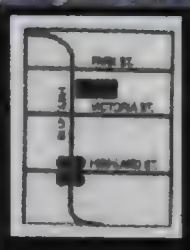

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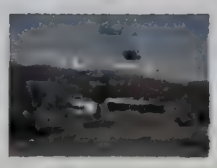

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# Hodgson Scores an Assist as Moose Eliminated

## Duchene's sweater for Dawson is on auction now

Terrance Gavan
*Sports Editor*

The hockey season never really winds down here in cottage country.

Always it seems there is action on some front or another as two of Haliburton's hockey honchos, Matthew Duchene and Cody Hodgson continue to spit, churn and chew headline space.

Last Friday it was Cody Hodgson earning possibly his final point as a member of the Manitoba Moose.

Hodgson assisted on the Moose's only tally in a 4-1 Calder Cup final loss to the visiting Hershey Bears at the MTS Centre in downtown Winnipeg.

The loss gave the Bears a 4-2 series victory over the Moose. Hodgson played very well for the Moose scoring three assists and two goals in an 11 game stint with the AHL Western Conference champs.

Hodgson returns to Markham with some training to do. He will be single-minded this summer. He will have a much more than reasonable chance at cracking the Vancouver Canucks line up this coming season.

The CHL and OHL player of the year and 10th overall pick in the NHL entry draft expects to make the roster this year. He was a late cut from the Canucks training camp last fall. He went on to captain the Brampton battalion to a berth in the OHL finals. He won gold and led all scorers at the World Junior Championships in January.

He will be spending some quality training time this summer with his Battalion teammate Matthew Duchene, who is just two weeks away from his own NHL draft experience.

Duchene has been busy. A feature interview with TSN, an appearance at the draft combine, and a trip to Pittsburgh for a Tuesday night date with Don Cherry and four other top draft prospects on Hockey Night in Canada.

Last week, Duchene was the subject of a vicarious TSN feature when The Sports Network (Yes the T does stand for The) descended once again on Haliburton for a feature interview with Duchene's mom Chris, sister Jen and dad Vince. TSN also made a stop at the High School to interview Principal Gary Brohman. Matt's mom is a guidance counselor at the high school.

The feature interview is expected to air on TSN during the week of the NHL draft in late June.

Duchene meanwhile is considered, with Swedish defenseman Victor Hedman and London Knights center John Tavares, to be one of the top three prospects in the 2009 draft, which is slated for Montreal, June 26th and 27th.

A Battalion jersey that Matthew signed for his friend and cancer survivor Dustin Hamilton has just gone up for auction on the Battalion website.

Battalion PR guy Phil Ercolani says that the sweater will be up on the web and bids will be accepted until June 30th. The bidding started last Tuesday and all proceeds are headed to the Dawson Hamilton Dream Fund.

Bids accepted on the web at www.battalion-hockey.com.■

# A Week to Recognize HHHS Staff

## BBQ's, Prizes and More at Haliburton and Minden Hospital Sites

Staff of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services (HHHS) received a complimentary BBQ on Monday, June 1 at the Haliburton hospital during the kick-off of staff appreciation week.

HHHS President & CEO Paul Rosebush could be seen grilling up some savoury burgers while Debbie Watson, Haliburton site Manager of Patient Care, helped him out during the rainy noon-hour.

During the week, a number of theme days were held to recognize staff and prizes such as golf balls and water bottle were given away.

Staff appreciation week will wrap-up tomorrow at the Minden hospital with another free staff BBQ from 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. □

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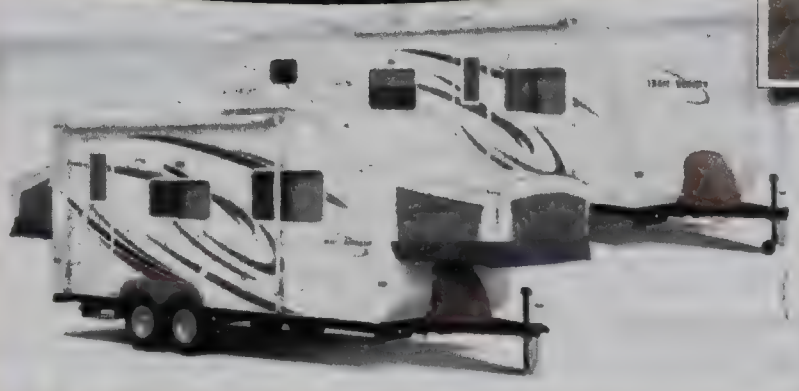

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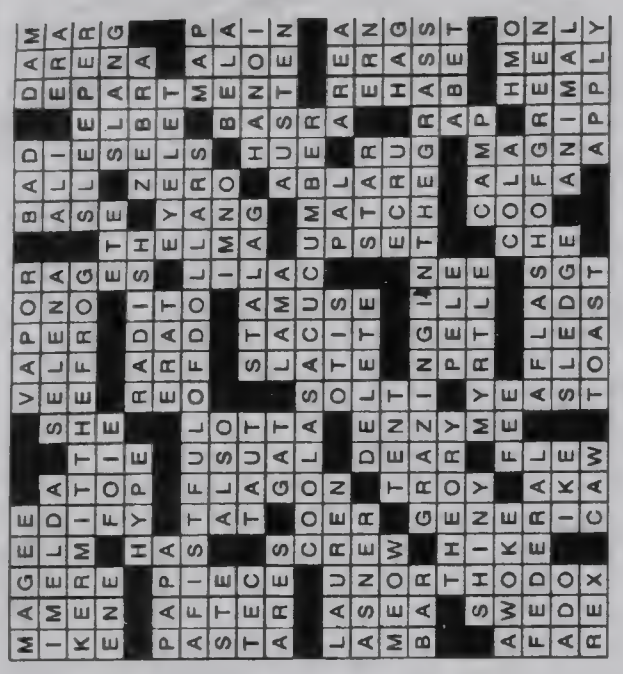

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## Dear Abby
by Abigail Van Buren

### This is the 21st Century - Beyond the attitudes of the 1950's

DEAR ABBY: I became an unwed mother many years ago, when there was a stigma attached to having an illegitimate child. Unable to care for my son, I placed him for adoption. He has now found me. I have a family, and my husband does not want me to tell our adult children or contact the young man and his family. Do I go against the wishes of my husband, whom I love very much, or should I tell our children and perhaps risk my husband leaving me? – CONFLICTED IN NEW JERSEY

DEAR CONFLICTED: From the tone of your letter your husband is the dominant partner in your marriage. If that's the case, and you really think he would leave you after all these years because you leveled with your children about the fact that they have a half-brother, then keep the secret. However, if your relationship with your husband is anything approaching a partnership, then stand up for yourself and make it clear that you are the sum total of all your experiences – both the joyful and the painful – and you need to see your son, thank his family for the love and care they have given him, and let your adult children make up their own minds about whether they want to be contacted.

This is the 21st century, and we are far beyond the attitudes of the 1950s in which a human being who is born out of wedlock is a shameful secret forever to be buried. In addition, secrets have a way of always coming out eventually.

DEAR ABBY: My son was required to read "Romeo and Juliet" in his freshman year of high school. It has always bothered me that this play is considered good for teenagers to read, much less required reading. The story ends with Romeo and Juliet committing suicide, which is considered "romantic." Teen suicide is on the rise. I feel we don't need teens seeing this in literature as a romantic way out of problems. What do you think? – MICHELLE IN CHUBBUCK, IDAHO

DEAR MICHELLE: The writings of William Shakespeare have long been considered classics of literature, and when students are assigned to read "Romeo and Juliet," it's done under the guidance of a teacher. The characters' suicides have never been considered a reasonable solution to the problem of their warring families not allowing them to be together; the play is regarded as a Shakespearian tragedy. Suicide among teens does not happen because of blighted romance. It happens because the teenager is mentally disturbed, and friends and families are unable to pick up on cues that the young person is in serious trouble. That is why when someone talks or "jokes" about committing suicide, it's so important to report it so the person can get professional help.

For week of June 21st/09

## Horoscopes
It's in the Stars

BORN THIS WEEK: You exude a warm, caring attitude that comforts everyone who comes into your life.

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) A change of season reinvigorates the Lamb, helping to overcome the effects of a recent slower-paced period. This is a good time to restate your feelings for that certain someone.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) You might not like using your authority to correct a workplace situation, but that's what being placed in charge is all about. Besides, you have people ready to lend support if need be.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Your creativity continues to run high and helps guide you to make some fine choices in the work you're doing. Keep the weekend free for those special people in your life.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Don't be surprised if you experience a sudden spurt of energy strong enough to pull you out of that recent period of indecision and put you back in charge of your own goals.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) This is a good time for Leos and Leonas to set new goals regarding health, educational choices and possible career moves. The plans you make now could be a blueprint for your future.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) You might have much to offer a potential employer, but it can all be overwhelmed by too many details. Let the facts about you speak for themselves without any embellishments.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) This is a good week to balance your responsibilities to your work-a-day world with your obligations to the people in your private life. Expect news that could lead to a change in plans.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A changing attitude on the part of a once determined adversary could cause changes down the line. Be prepared to take advantage of an unexpected new opportunity.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) You'd be a truly wise Sagittarius to be skeptical about an offer that doesn't answer all your questions. Even a colleague's testimonial doesn't replace facts that aren't there.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) It's a good idea to avoid spending on unnecessary purchases this week in order to keep a money reserve against a possible upcoming (but, fortunately, temporary) shortfall.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) More information is what you should demand regarding that workplace situation that recently came to light. Don't be surprised at who might turn up as one of your supporters.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You might still be in a "treading water" mode, but by midweek, a shift in your aspect favors taking a more active role in pushing for the changes you feel are necessary. Good luck.


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36 Zoo attraction
37 "— Don't Preach" ('86 hit)
40 Part of Q.E.D.
41 Fancy fabric
43 Clint Eastwood movie
49 AAA handout
52 Sault — Marie, MI
53 To boot
54 "— Angel" ('33 film)
55 Lurid Lugosi
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12 Dryden's "— for Love"
13 Some engines
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45 Pub vessel
46 Ordinary
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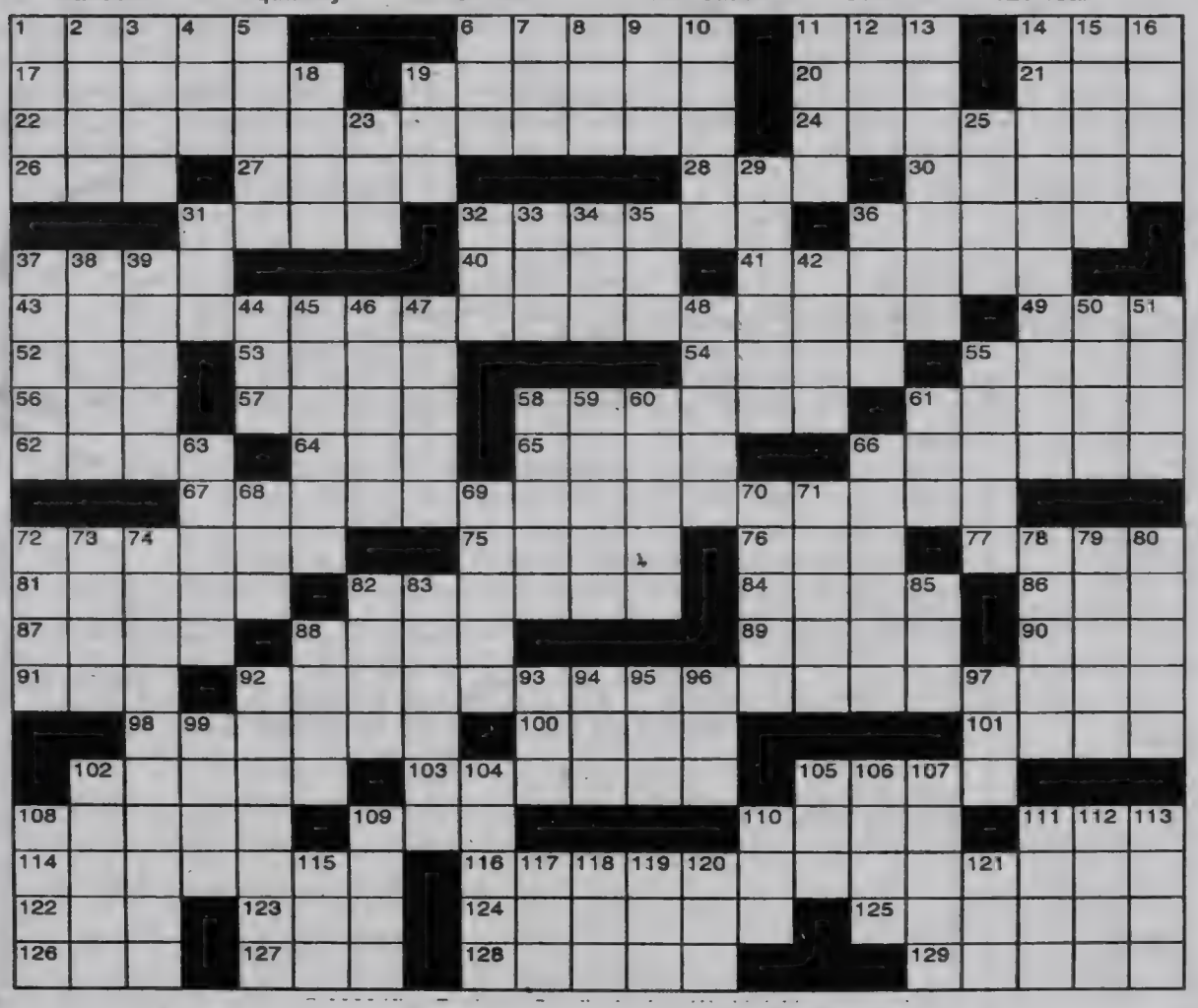


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# Max Senitt Returns for a Concert and a Class

## An uplifting night of Latin jazz in support of Hal High musicians

Terrance Gavan
*Staff Reporter*

I was staring fitfully at my watch, watching Elvis Costello interview legendary jazz pianist Herbie Hancock last Friday night.

Elvis has a new show on Canadian television called Spectacle.

It was 7:30 and Herbie was talking with Elvis. I love Herbie Hancock. But I also knew that I had to be at the Northern Lights performing Arts Pavilion for a concert at 8 pm. The concert, featuring "Max Senitt Y Sus Amigos" promised a night of Latin jazz.

I glanced at my watch – 7:45. Herbie Hancock was just launching into "Watermelon Man."

I sighed and clicked the record button on my PVR. Herbie would have to wait.

The sigh, as it turns out was superfluous.

Just 20 minutes later, Haliburton High music teacher Tom Regina was on stage, telling a story about a fateful meeting with a grade nine student some twenty years ago. The student? A young drummer from Carnarvon.

"Max Senitt started at Haliburton High the same day that I did," said Regina, who was there to introduce the line-up for the evening. "We went on to play music together in high school, but Max went on to pursue his music professionally, and me, well, I'm still here today."

That garnered the de rigueur round of laughs.

Of course Regina's self-deprecation holds no water here in the Highlands, where for years Tom has been a guiding force in the lives of scores of students who have gained no small measure of music and life skills playing around with those dappled jazz notes in the rich and textured music program here at Hal High.

Indeed, the evening concert, with the Max Senitt quartet, was just a nice tight wrap on a full day of music, education and jazz which began earlier that day in the music room of Hal High.

The proceeds from the concert last Friday are going to the Haliburton High School Jazz program.

Earlier in the day, Max and his band offered students a master class workshop in jazz. It was a one-of-a-kind experience for the students, says Regina.

Tom Regina thanked the 100 or so jazz aficionados in the audience for their patronage. And he thanked Max Senitt Y Sus Amigos for their input into the jazz program at Hal High. Max and Tom both thanked Greg Luck, who made the whole evening possible.

Greg spent the evening out of sight, in the sound and lighting booth, but he was the inspirational and guiding force behind the concert.

The evening opened with a few selections from the Haliburton High Jazz Ensemble, with former members Tom Regina and Max Senitt sitting in on some selected songs.

The young group played some inspired jazz classics and ripped on a 12 bar jazz riff that they had worked on in master class with the Senitt combo earlier that day. The old guys, Senitt on congas and Regina on flute did okay too.

The Hal High band was joined on stage by Senitt and his bandmates for their final song. A chance to work out the kinks on some solo riffs. The kids all held their own with the pros.

The headliners, Max Senitt Y Sus Amigos – Max Senitt and Friends – took the stage and immediately lived up to all of the pre concert hype. They performed mostly original songs, selections written by every member of the band, which include Senitt on drums, Dustin Shaskin on five string bass, Mike Wark on sax and Jacek Karlowski on lead guitar.

The performance was airtight, a mix of Latin, Reggae, with a smattering of funk and a lotta' improvisation. The solos, Wark's haunting sax rips, Karlowski's floating finger stylings and Shaskin's stylish thump-a-wump, all blended back to that solid percussion groove laid down by a truly gifted drummer, Max Senitt.

Close your eyes and think of Miles or Bird or even Herbie Hancock. Nothing beats live jazz, and the audience rode the finely-honed wave of that ersatz vibe right through the performance.

An anecdote on the evening, well and truly rounded, when Senitt invited his old high school comrade Tom Regina to stand in on a tune.

Regina, flute in hand rose to the challenge. He backed, he soloed and his fingers fairly flew.

He and Wark conspired to bring some wind to a jazz romp that ran up and down the Northern Lights stage and deftly jumped, jacked and jived to every nook and cranny of the auditorium.

And Max Senitt was smilin' all the way through.

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Please submit your cover letter and resume to Daniela Pagliaro, Director via mail, email, or fax by **4:30 p.m., June 26, 2009.** Only applicants invited to an interview will be contacted.

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# Pilot Speaks Out About Airport Expansion

Liz Danielsen
*Staff Reporter*

At least that's what Barry Hart, a pilot who has been flying out of the Stanhope Airport for both business and pleasure for the past 17 years has to say. Hart supports the airport expansion completely and he says he speaks for a number of pilots who use the airport on a regular basis.

There has always been little doubt that the pilots who operate out of the Stanhope Airport want a new runway, or in fact, any expansion of services that would make the facility safer and more welcoming in many ways. After all, it would be like asking any of us if we want improved roads.

> "If the biggest fights we have in Haliburton County are about the airport expansion and ATV's on the rail trail, life here can't be that bad."

Over the last few months there have been some suggestions, both by members of the Algonquin Highlands Council and those in support of the airport, that the County Voice and other local papers haven't offered balanced coverage on the extremely controversial issue of airport expansion. Despite printing numerous letters to the Editor in support of the project, the Voice extended an invitation to the pilots to speak up, but for some reason they have been reluctant to rock the boat.

This week in another letter to the editor, the Community of Oxtongue Lake offers a similar invitation to anyone (other than proponents of the project, aviators, or those with a vested-interest) to speak out in support of the project.

Aviator or no, Hart has decided to speak out first and foremost about the treatment of our elected officials. "If we continue to beat up on our elected officials we won't have any worth their salt. We should be respectful and grateful for their actions," he said.

Hart doesn't argue with the public's right to challenge political decisions, but he says that rude personal attacks are uncalled for. "What gives me the right to put scathing and caustic letters in the paper? The hard efforts of local politicians have provided us with services like roads, hospitals, schools, bridges and libraries and this facility is an extremely unique aspect of the community that can be built upon."

Hart has a flying heritage. His father was a tail gunner in a Lancaster bomber and his mother was a fueller in the RAF. He has been flying out of Stanhope for years and had his first solo flight there. He said, "All of the pilots know they are privileged to have such a nice airport to use and pilots come from all over the country to enjoy it."

Hart spoke of Tim Stain, who flies for Cathay Pacific and lives in Toronto, who recently called the airport from Hong Kong asking if he could come up to Stanhope to help with the Young Eagles event. He spoke of Russ Holden who starts and stops his weekend traffic reports with 680 News at the Stanhope Airport.

"You can touch that airport. Stanhope is a place that I used to come to for an evening dinner because it was so special. I'd sit and enjoy a meal at one of the picnic tables. It is a special airport within a special community and they match perfectly."

"I may love the airport, but it is a tough little turkey to get into. A longer wider runway, a bit more into the prevailing wind would make it much safer." Hart spoke about the Canadian Flight Supplement that lists the airport as having wind shear on Runway 27. He said, "With the creek, the embankment and the hill we have to stay a bit high and come in fast. You have to learn how to land there."

Hart, who flies a 182 Cessna, spoke about the wind that wraps around the hills at the airport creating a tail wind that decreases performance, which on the other side of the hill creates increased performance creating a real mixed bag of tricks when coming in for a landing. He said, "The new runway will be northwest and southeast which is the configuration used in most airports. It simply will give us more options.

Hart says the airport is like any other infrastructure in a community that must be maintained and improved when the opportunity arises. He likened it to making a two lane highway into a four lane highway. "If improving the facility makes it safer and allows greater use I say let's do it!"

Hart maintains that over time there would be more aviation related jobs in Stanhope as well as opportunities for more business.

He also said that the Stanhope Airport often offers an opportunity for pilots anticipating bad weather at their final destination to land and wait out the weather rather than having to turn back. "Stanhope is strategically located in a black hole of nothingness between airports."

Hart said, "This project has been in the works for years and years." He recalled a Young Eagles event years ago when information was provided about the airport expanding. "Originally the concern was about noise from the aircraft. If anything, the noise factor will be decreased for Maple & Beech Lake cottagers."

Hart agreed that the most legitimate concern from taxpayers is the cost of the project. However, he said, "The planets have realigned again." He spoke about the municipality jumping at opportunities in the past to pave the grass strip and add lighting and fencing and during the Chretien days taking advantage of infrastructure money to pave the taxiway and entrances to the hangers.

"Now the government is trying to get money into the community to improve infrastructure and there are $2.00 for every $1.00 put up by the municipality to take advantage of. It's a terrific deal because the project can be completed for one third of the price. Its two million dollars of found money and a good deal of it will go to local contractors and the community.

Hart said, "The fact is that there is a Council wanting to go ahead with the project and the financial support is available now. If those in opposition to the project win, the opportunity we have now will be gone forever.

He spoke of the number of retirees taking flying lessons and planning to purchase small aircraft and the airport becoming a bonus for those people. He also spoke of increased tourist traffic and people flying out of the airport on business. "We've seen Twin Otters and helicopters staged at the airport when things are happening. The more planes you have in an area the more beneficial things are for firefighting capabilities."

Hart also spoke about airports in the region that have been expanding their operations, citing Brantford, Muskoka, Peterborough and Lindsay as all having had problems in the past, but which are now overcoming those problems and have either expanded or are in the process of expanding.

"Whenever there was talk of closure, the people that stood up were real estate agents representing people that wanted proximity to airports." Hart maintained that the comments he had heard about airport closures from those in opposition to the airport were inaccurate. He said, "Many of them are undergoing major improvements."

"The whole world is flying. A society that travels by aircraft but doesn't want airports is an unusual thing. Everyone loves to fly."

Hart said, "Our society, rather than trusting to common sense and our elected officials has turned to dramatics and theatrics or who can write the most injurious letters."

When asked why many of the pilots in the area had not commented, he said, "It's not in the nature of pilots to grandstand."

"I don't want to lose the intimacy of the airport, but I'd like to see what we have improved." We're lucky to have the airport and now it is time to expand. The township is ready and the money is flying by right now."

"The Airport is part of the collective good of the community. The tragedy of all of this is that if those in opposition win, they will actually have lost two million dollars in revenue for the community. The timing is now or never." ■

**MUNICIPALITY OF DYSART ET AL**

**LOTTERY LICENSING INFORMATION SESSION TUESDAY JULY 7th, 2009 at 6:30 PM**

The Municipality of Dysart et al is pleased to announce that the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario (AGCO) will be holding a free lottery licensing information session on Tuesday, July 7th, 2009 at 6:30 pm. The information session will be held at the Municipality of Dysart et al Office located at 135 Maple Avenue in the Village of Haliburton. Additional information is available on our website at www.dysartetal.ca, or you may contact the Municipality with the information provided below. Please inform the Municipality by Tuesday, June 30th, 2009 if you plan on attending this information session by contacting:

**Matthew Aldom**
Acting Lottery Licensing Officer
**Telephone:** 705-457-1740 ext. # 33
**E-mail:** maldom@dysartetal.ca

**Municipality of Dysart et al**

**REQUEST FOR TENDERS**

**Operation of the Concession Booth at the Dysart Arena/Community Centre**
The Municipality of Dysart et al is inviting tenders for the operation of the Concession Booth at the Dysart Arena/Community Centre located at 728 Mountain Street, Haliburton.
Tenders must be received on or before 3:00 p.m. on Monday, June 29th, 2009.

**Window Replacement at the Municipal Office**
The Municipality of Dysart et al is inviting tenders for the window replacement at the Municipal Office located at 135 Maple Avenue, Haliburton.

**Tenders must be received on or before 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 8th, 2009.**
Specifications and blank authorization and execution forms for these tenders can be obtained at the Dysart Municipal Office, 135 Maple Avenue, Haliburton, ON, or on our website at www.dysartetal.ca.

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We thank all applicants but only those selected for an interview will be contacted Personal information is collected in accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and will be used only for employment purposes.

# Rhonda McGee

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And mourn for when she's dead.

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But, will you, till I call her back,
Take care of her for me?

She'll bring her charms to gladden you
And…should her stay be brief
You'll have her lovely memories
As a solace for your grief

I cannot promise she will stay,
Since all from earth return
But there are lessons taught down there,
I want this child to learn

I've looked the whole world over
In my search for teacher's true.
And from the throngs that crowd life's lane
I have selected you.

Now will you give her all your love?
Nor think the labor vain?
Nor hate me when I come to call
To take her back again?

I fancied that I heard him say
Dear lord, thy will be done
For all the joy this child will bring
The risk of grief we'll run

We'll shelter her with tenderness,
We'll love her while we may
And for the happiness we've known
Forever grateful stay

And shall the angels call her,
Much sooner than we've planned,
We'll brave the bitter grief that comes
And try to understand.

*Love you forever, Mom and Dad*

In Memory of

*Rhonda;*

*You and Poppa stay safe*

*Love Nanna*

# In Memory

**Wilkins, Edward (Ted)**

Passed away suddenly at his home on June 3rd, 2009 in his 80th year. Beloved husband of 58 years to Mary Wilkins (nee McFayden). Dearly loved father of Ted (Bonnie), Bill, predeceased by son Tim (Janice). He was blessed with 9 grandchildren, brothers; Bob (Irene), Alex (Betty), George (Joy), Sister Ruth (Percy), predeceased by Brother Jack. At Ted's request their will be no service at this time. Memorial will be held at a later date. Donations gratefully accepted at Minden Medical Clinic (Dr. Wu) Box 700 Minden Ontario, K0M 2K0.

## William O'Reilly (Resident of Carnarvon, Ontario)

Peacefully at the residence on Friday evening, May 29th, 2009 in his 78th year. Beloved husband of Barbara May O'Reilly (nee Anthony) for over 55 years. Loving father of Sandra (Ken) Farrell of Barrie, Bill of Tory Hill, Gordon (Perita) of Richmond Hill, Phil (Kelly) of Kushog Lake. Dear brother of Maryanne (Gord), Tibby, Annie (Gary), Bernadette (Henry) and Reta (Barry). Predeceased by his sisters Marilyn and Junie. Fondly remembered by his ten grandchildren and his five great grandchildren.

## Helen Howe
(nee Hopkins)

Helen Yardley Howe passed away peacefully on April 4th, 2009 in Georgetown, Ontario in her 93rd year. Born in Kinmount, Ontario on July 29th, 1916 Helen was the only child of Gordon B. Hopkins (local merchant) and Anna Pearl Hopkins (school teacher). Helen graduated High School from Lindsay Collegiate and became a Registered Nurse, training and nursing at Ross Memorial in Lindsay, then onto Toronto General Hospital before starting her family.

Helen was married to James Edward Carson Howe (of Janetville, Ontario) on August 19th, 1944 in Toronto. Helen is survived by her loving and faithful husband of 64 years Carson Howe, as well as her son David Hopkins Howe (wife Shirley) and her daughter Cynthia Helen Howe (husband Rob McMulkin). "Nana" is also survived by her 5 grandchildren: Andrea Schwieg (Joe), Robert Howe (Izabela), Heather Howe, John and Maureen McMulkin and her 3 great-grandchildren; Justin and John Howe and Owen Schwieg. We will all miss her pleasant charm and simple common sense approach to life and those around her. We will always remember the bright twinkle in her eyes, her joyful caring ways and her lovely piano playing and her beautiful laugh. Helen will be sadly missed by her family and all who knew her.

Helen lived a full and active life and knew how to enjoy her time with us. She was an avid volunteer while in Toronto – earning recognition from the Canadian Red Cross as well as being active with various church groups at Wilmer Heights United Church in the Scarborough/Wexford community. She was a member of the church choir for many years. Socially, Helen was a member of Avonlea Curling Club, Toronto. In her retirement years at Davis Lake, she was an active member of the Minden Lawn Bowling Club and former Ontario Senior Games champion. Helen also enjoyed mixed doubles tennis with the La Casa Tennis Club while wintering in Florida.

While Helen's life took her to Lindsay for her education, then Toronto to work and live while raising her family, then onto "snowbirding" on the Gulf Coast of Florida at La Casa (near Venice, Fla) for 23 wonderful years, before residing full time in Georgetown, Ontario for her final few years. Throughout, she was always an avid cottager on Davis Lake in Haliburton.

Helen never missed a summer at Davis Lake for the first 90 years of her life - where she loved to swim, go berry picking, canoe and tend to her flowers and enjoy the beauty of the natural environment.

After all her years and accomplishments, Helen will now come back home to Kinmount. Family and friends are invited to attend a memorial service to be held at the Kinmount United Church on Saturday July 11th at 11 am, to honour and remember her life. A luncheon reception will follow at the Kinmount Community Centre (the former Hopkins Hall). The immediate family will participate in the interment of her ashes at the family plot in the Kinmount Cemetery, immediately following the luncheon reception.

In lieu of flowers, charitable "in memoriam" donations would be appreciated by the family and can be made online (or by donation envelopes) to Helen and Carson's favourite charities: The Heart & Stroke Foundation of Canada or The Canadian Cancer Society.

In Loving Memory of

## Howard "Buck" Hillis

Passed away peacefully at the Haliburton Hospital on Tuesday, June 9, 2009. In his 73rd year.
Dear son of the late Wilmer and Catherine Hillis
Beloved husband of the late Beatrice "Bea" (nee Billings)(2007). Loving father of Connie and Roger, Cathy and Kevin, Cheryl, Cammie and Ron. Loving grandpa of Kory (Carrie), Natasha, Andrew (Kimberly), Pamela (Trevor), Khristopher (Leslie), Timothy, Megan, Cameron, Chelsea, Madison, Logan and great grandfather of Samantha, Miranda, Ryley, Nikolas, Benjamin, Tyler, Dryden, and Kaylee. Dear brother of Edward and Dorothy and predeceased by his sister Grace. Fondly remembered by many nieces, nephews, family and friends. Cherished by Micky.
Friends are invited to visit the family at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd. 127 Bobcaygeon Rd., P.O. Box 427, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0 on Friday from 3-5 and 7-9 pm. Funeral Service in the chapel on Saturday, June 13, 2009 at 1:00 pm. Interment to follow at the Glamorgan Cemetery, Gooderham.
Memorial Donations to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation (HHHSF) would be appreciated by the family.

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PLEASE JOIN USE – For a free Geothermal Information Session, Hosted by Haliburton Geothermal at Fleming College (Great Hall) Saturday June 20th, 2009 from 7pm-9pm. Learn how to save up to 75% of your heating costs, increase the comfort in your home year-round, ask questions and meet some homeowners with geothermal systems. If you are unable to attend, please contact us with any questions. 705-457-2324, www.HaliburtonGeothermal.com (JuneC09)

## Coming Events

ONTARIO KAYAK FISHING CLASSIC – On July 11th and 12th, amateurs and competitive anglers alike are welcome, if you enjoy fishing and have a human powered watercraft this event is for you! It is a catch and release derby, it takes place on Kashawigamog Lake; registration will be held at Kashaga Lodge. For more info please visit www.ontariokayakfishing-classic.info. Proceeds go to The Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association. (JulyA09)

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Please forward resume and introductory letter to Joanne Bishop, Vice President, at jbishop@patientnews.com. Qualified applicants will be contacted for an interview.

*June and Doug Devolin*

are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary.

The family invites you to join them on this momentous occasion for cake, coffee and great memories.

Sunday June 28th
anytime between 3:00 and 5:00.

**Heritage House Café (the old Bank's General Store), 33 Pine Dr., Haliburton**

**HAPPY 20th BIRTHDAY**

**Little Buddy**

**On June 22**
**From Uncle Dave**

**Verna & The Family Of**

**Grenville Draper**

Will Be Celebrating His
**90th Birthday**
**On Saturday June 20, 2009**

Friends are invited to drop in between 2 and 4 PM
**At**
The Carpenter's Inn
1203 Calico Road
***Best wishes only***

# The Doors are Open in Minden!

In a special celebration of Minden's Sesquicentennial Year, Doors Open Ontario is coming to Minden. On Saturday, June 20, from 10 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., 23 homes and businesses will be welcoming the public as part of one of the largest open house events in the world. Some Minden sites will be open on Sunday as well.

Doors Open originated in France in 1984, came to Toronto in 2000, and has continued to expand since then. Forty-nine communities throughout Ontario will be taking part in the event, which runs from April to October this year. The concept of Doors Open is simply to allow the public access into buildings of historical, architectural or heritage value, along with the usual public sites and gardens. And all for FREE!

For the past several months, a dedicated committee has been meeting on a regular basis to co-ordinate Doors Open Minden. Committee members Jeanne Anthon, Amy Brohm, Pat Campbell, Rick Cox, Lesley Elliott, Dianne Graham, Marjorie Green, Lynda Litwin and Daniela Pagliaro began by inviting the owners of interesting private homes and commercial properties to be involved in this first-ever event, and were met with an overwhelming response.

Twenty-three properties will be open for viewing on Saturday, June 20. Participating sites include: the Beaver Theatre; Bunker's Hill; Campbell's Flowers, Gifts & Gardens; Clergy House; Cray/Monk/Welch Home; Dominion Hotel; Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home (unless funeral in progress); Irvine Double Dome Home; Lambs & Ivy Cottage Crafts; Limberlost Ltd.; Minden Hills Cultural Centre; Minden House B&B; the Orillia Water, Light & Power Generating Station (Saturday from Noon to 3:00, for guided tours only); Red Rock Circle; St. Paul's Anglican Church; Stefanich Home; Studio Rose; Sunny Rock B&B; Twelve Mile Lake Church; Wild Orchid Thai Cuisine & Gamble's Antiques; Wild Swan B&B; and Wintergreen Maple Syrup & Pancake Barn.

Of the 23 host sites listed, eight will be open on Sunday as well. Tour brochures, detailing all particulars, will be available at the Tourist Information Centre on Hwy. 35, and at each host location on the day of the event. Doors Open Ontario guides are also available at the Tourist Information Centre.

The committee reports that it could use some volunteers to help prepare sites, or assist on the day of the event with parking, registration, tours and general help. Call Lesley Elliott at 286-4450 if you are available to assist in any way.

For more information on Doors Open Ontario, visit www.doorsopenontario.on.ca ; for more Sesquicentennial Events, visit www.minden150.ca. Doors Open is sponsored by Doors Open Ontario and the Ontario Heritage Trust programs. Local sponsors include Orillia Power Generating Corporation; Municipality of Minden Hills; County of Haliburton; and Lynda Litwin – RE/MAX Haliburton Highlands Realty Ltd. Brokerage.

For more information about Doors Open Minden, contact Amy Brohm 286-1777. ■

**Bill..**
**Happy Fathers Day to the greatest dad in the world.... we love you!!**

**Joanne, Brett, Gloria, Barb and Nancy**

# DEATH NOTICES

## Norman Brownsberger

- A True Gentle Man - Peacefully at his residence in Haliburton on Sunday morning, June 14, 2009 in his 79th year. Beloved husband of Barbara. Loving father of Joanne (Stephen Bishop) and Nancy (Jon Petrie) of Eagle Lake. Fondly remembered by his grandchildren Alisha, Alexander and William. Norm will be sadly missed and lovingly remembered.

## F. Harold Cox

Passed away peacefully at the Ross Memorial Hospital, Lindsay on Thursday, June 11, 2009. In his 97th year. Beloved husband of the late Blanche and special friend of Betty Dicker. Brother of the late Gordon, Clayton, Roy, Stanley, and Charlie. Brother -in-law of Velma Cox of Sarnia, Bess Johnston of Hagersville, Vera Johnston of Petrolia. Fondly remembered by many nieces and nephews. Harold was a Driving Force for the Non-Profit Housing in Stoney Creek, and was a one time recipient of the Stoney Creek Citizen of the year award. A proud life long member of the Oddfellows and St. George's Anglican Church. Harold enjoyed the time he spent in Haliburton Highlands Cottaging, then setfling in as a resident.

# Where's the Beef ?

There wasn't any problem finding the beef last Saturday evening: a hungry crowd was at the doors of the Minden community center for the Agricultural Society's Haliburton County Fair Family Beef Barbeque an hour before the scheduled meal. DJ Tommy Williamson entertained while visitors checked over the many donated items and placed bids at the "country (silent) auction". The line moved quickly as organizers served up 104 kg of roast beef, 113 kg of potatoes along with gravy and green veggies. The selection of homemade desserts was a true test for any dieter's willpower.

The annual feast is the group's major fund-raiser for the Haliburton County Fair. While the roasts were locally purchased, corporate sponsor and fair supporter, Queen Victoria Foods, (The Ippolito Group) donated all the vegetables for the event. With about 250 dinners served, Fair Secretary Mary Minto called the BBQ a huge success. Extra food was donated to the local food bank.

As a special celebration of Minden's sesquicentennial the 145th Haliburton County Fair is scheduled for three days this summer, August 21, 22 & 23. Celebrity Pig Racing is a new to the fair this year, and these oinkers will be looking for sponsors. You or your group can sponsor a "porky steed" and put out a challenge to friends and businesses by calling Michelle at 705-286-4343.

The Agricultural Society is always looking for new volunteers, if you are interested in helping out call
705-854-0335, or check out the fair web site at: http://www.haliburtoncountyfair.com/home. ■

*Fair board member and head cook, Ian Minto, holds one of many BBQ'd roasts*

## In Memory of

## Coming Events

### Father's Day Dinner

**June 21, 2009**

Reserve for 5:00 PM or 6:30 PM
Roast Beef Pot., Veg. Salad & Roll
Strawberry Shortcake
Tea/Coffee
$15/Adult - Under 10 $5.00

**West Guilford Recreation Centre**
**Call 754-2464**

## Moore Lake Property Owners' Association

### Annual General Meeting

**Saturday July 4th**

**The Noble Motel**
Hwy 35, next to The Moore Lake Estates, Moore Falls
9:30 a.m. Coffee & Registration
10 a.m. Meeting starts

Guest speakers -Councillor Barb Reid
Susanne Lauten of CUME (Cottagers Against Uranium Mining Exploration)

Following the meeting, members are invited to a Wine & Cheese at The Noble.

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### GULL RIVER - $219,900

Nice solid brick home on prestigious Gull River / Shadow lake. Superb convenient location, nice setting with view and ambiance of the waterfalls. Mature treed level lot, paved municipal access, 1 1/2 hour drive from GTA. Features updated eat-in kitchen, fireplace, sunroom, docking, main floor laundry plus loads more! Value priced - move in condition!

David Lee * 286-1234 ex. 231

### OTTER LAKE - $219,000

Peaceful Otter Lake with 392 feet of waterfront. Beautiful rock point, level area by water, nice view and privacy, driveway in, hydro & phone to lot.

David Lee * 286-1234 ex. 231

### HALLS LAKE - $429,000

Beautiful 3+1 BR waterfront home/cottage on Halls Lake. Open concept living makes it great for entertaining. Huge master bedroom, main floor laundry, walk-out basement. Also has 2 BR bunkie for guests. One of the Vendors is a Registered Real Estate Salesperson.

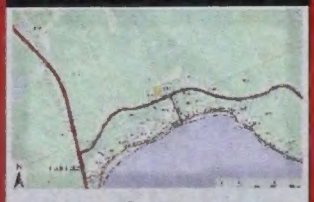
Tom Gardner * 286-1234 ex. 224

### CRYSTAL LAKE - $149,000

Renovated three bedroom cottage with deeded access to Crystal Lake. Features; drilled well, heated line, fully winterized, full basement, small barn for storage, dock space available. Great beach. Great for ATV or snowmobile. Large 2 acre lot.

Peter Franzen* 286-1234 ex. 223

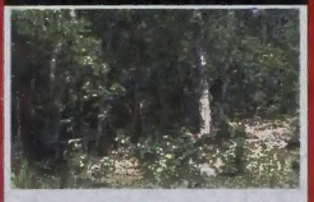
### HAWK LAKE ROAD - $24,900



Nice 1 acre building lot - well treed - 165 feet frontage on a municipal road - close to Halls Lake - driveway in.

Ed Gibbons * 286-1234 ex. 225

### WALKERS LINE - $29,000



Nicely treed gentle sloping lot close to public access to Kushog Lake - year round road.

Ed Gibbons * 286-1234 ex. 225

### SEDGWICK ROAD NORTH - $109,000

Great starter or retirement home, 2+ bedrooms, value-priced, very private lot with great view. Large sun room, oversized detached 2 car garage, home being sold 'as is'. Easy access to Minden/Haliburton,on township road.

Al Mayo * 286-1234 ex. 233

### MINDEN LAKE - $374,900

Modern 'Viceroy' style 4 season, 3 bedrm, 1.5 washrm on prestigious Minden Lake located just outside Minden Village. Gentle sloping lot with year round access features a circular gravel driveway, a golden sand rippled beach with new dock system. Cathedral ceilings, wood airtight stove and walkout to lakeside deck, solid wood kitchen, spacious bedrms.

Al Mayo * 286-1234 ex. 233

### HORSESHOE LAKE - $579,000

Immaculate 3 plus 1 bedroom waterfront home or cottage. Large rooms for entertaining with cathedral ceilings in living room, dining room and kitchen. Windows recently upgraded and water filtration system. Lower level is a walk-out with large bright family room. This home/cottage is in move-in condition and ready for waterfront living.

Tom Gardner * 286-1234 ex. 224

### BASELINE LINE - $224,900

150 acre of prime land ideal for farming development small hunt camp included in property this is a one of a kind property.

Peter Franzen* 286-1234 ex. 223

### SWINSON ROAD - $139,900

This three bedroom family home is situated on a very private 3 acre lot and yet is close to all amenities, and has Bell high speed internet available - not to mention being on the school bus route. Near many lakes and trails, a short ride to Kinmount or 10 minutes to Minden. Don't miss this bungalow opportunity!

Lindsay Elder ** 286-1234 ex. 222

### CALL TODAY!

**Please call me for a no cost, no obligation home or cottage evaluation**

Lindsay Elder ** 286-1234 ex. 222

### HUNTER CREEK - $329,900

Heated inground 20 x 40 pool. Set on a large one acre lot, this custom built 5 bdrm., 4 bathrm home - attached 2 car garage &/or workshop. Enclosed hot tub built into large cedar deck. The kitchen has a real "WOW" factor, granite counter tops, built-in hidden refrigerator & dishwasher with beautiful maple cupboards. Plus more.

Call Patti or Hal at 705-457-0819 or 457-7538

### OUTSTANDING PRIVACY

Gently sloping lot in one of the prettiest settings you will ever see! The property includes 225 feet of western exposure lake frontage on over an acre of land. Exceptional privacy and extremely well kept three bedroom 1,200 sq. ft. cottage with many recent upgrades. A screened in room overlooking the lake compliments the experience. Asking $284,500. Call Hal or Patti to-day to view!!

Call Patti or Hal at 705-457-0819 or 457-7538

### MOUNTAIN - $474,900

Rare opportunity! 2 separately deeded direct waterfront lots on beautiful Mountain Lake. 190 ft frontage and 1.54 acres of prime lakefront opportunity. Well treed, private setting, municipal access, loads of parking and clean shoreline with lakeside boathousea, 3 bedrm, 1.5 washrm year round, cathedral beamed ceilings, stone fireplace with insert, covered deck, screen porch, plus drilled well.

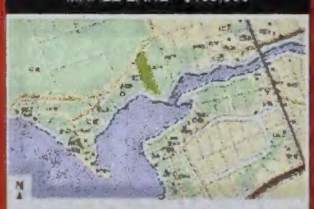
Lorri Roberts * 457-2414 ext. 43

### OLD CAMERON RD. - $30,000

1.41 ACRE back lot on private road off Highway 35 and Sandy Bay Road - nicely treed building lot - old dug well on property - walking distance to Gull Lake.

Susan Johnson * 457-2414, ext 44

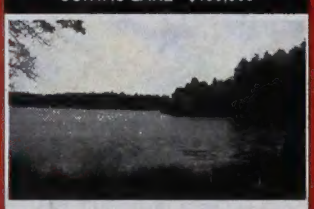
### MAPLE LAKE - $159,900



Gently sloping lot with year round access. Boat in to 3 lakes. Over 2 acres of privacy with 200 feet of good shoreline. Driveway installed. Trust schedule must accompany all offers.

Debbie Cumber* 457-2414 ext. 24

### CONTAU LAKE - $199,900



350 feet of water frontage on Contau Lake with over 81 acres of hardwood bush. Build your weekend getaway or year round dream home. Easy access to snowmobile and ATV trails. Great fishing and hunting.

Debbie Cumber* 457-2414 ext. 24

### MCCUE LAKE VIEW - $138,900

3 bedrm. Sunset views across McCue Lake - large sunroom. Refinished original hardwood flooring, colonial trim & new ceramic tile flooring on the main floor with complete new beautiful hardwood floors upstairs. Renovations completed include the roof, new windows and doors, soffit and facia, wiring, upgraded insulation, drywall, new main floor washroom, new 4 pc upstairs bathroom.

Chris & Michelle Smolarz * 457-2414 ext. 22

### MCCUE LAKE VIEW - $99,900

The perfect family 3 bedroom starter home. Expansive sunset view across McCue Lake from your sunroom. O.F.S.C. rail trails will take you for miles of entertainment. Community playground across the road. Built-in outdoor fireplace. Heated insulated workshop. Bathroom renovated with ceramic floors and ceilings, new oil furnace, drilled well and pump.

Chris & Michelle Smolarz * 457-2414 ext. 22

### LONG LAKE - $310,000

Beautiful gentle sloping deep lot with 137 ft frontage and .86 acres backing in to crown land on Koshlong Lake. Southwest exposure, yr round municipal access, driveway with ample parking, boat ramp, sand & rock shoreline, Maintenance free 3 bedrm home on a block perimeter wall, main floor laundry, cathedral pine ceilings, birch kitchen, wood stove, steel garage with generator back-up.

Lorri Roberts * 457-2414 ext. 43

### KUSHOG LAKE - 400,000

4 season home/cottage on Oliver Rd on Kushog Lake. Beautiful mature treed, nicely cleared, gentle sloping lot with west exposure, clean sand shoreline and deep water at docks end. Paved access, lakeside decking and docking. 3 bedrm home, partially finished basement approx. 2,000 sq. ft. Gorgeous screened 'Haliburton Room', pine kitchen, formal dining area, sunken living room, wood stove, and recreation room.

Susan Johnson * 457-2414, ext 44

### KENNISIS LAKE - $489,000

Sunsets and sand what more for all ages. 3 bdr, 2 baths, finished w/o lower level. 2 car garage and a Bunkie for the overflow that might not want to leave. Recent upgrades to this 4 season cottage. Must see to appreciate.

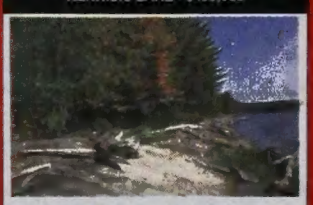
Gloria Carnochan or Cindy Muenzel * 754-1932

### LITTLE REDSTONE LAKE - $375,000

Check out this affordable 3 bedroom cottage having south-west exposure with 132 ft frtg on an acre lot on Little Redstone Lake. Fully winterized, drilled well, septic, year round road. Child safe sandy bottom for the little ones with deep water off dock for the adventurous ones.

Gloria Carnochan or Cindy Muenzel * 754-1932

### KENNISIS LAKE - $499,000



Kennsis Lake building lot with 298ft frtg and 3.5 ac. Many building sites to choose from. Clear lots or just enough to build. Driveway in with hydro and phone available with high speed. Sun all day.

Gloria Carnochan or Cindy Muenzel * 754-1932

### LITTLE KENNISIS - $399,900

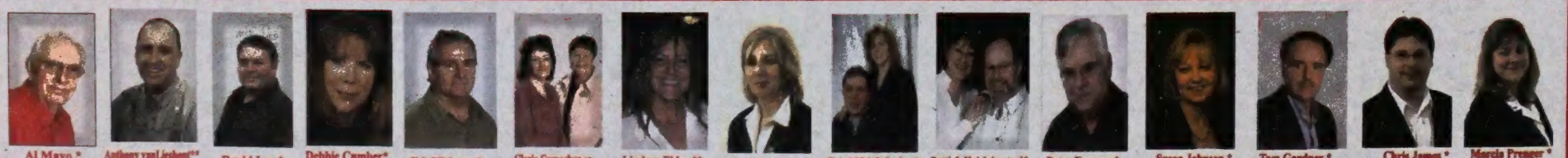
Prime well treed private waterfront lot on Little Kennisis Lake with a superb clean smooth rock and sand shoreline, deep clean water, expansive south exposure, superb year round access and parking for 8 cars. 4 season cottage, cathedral ceilings, granite fireplace, 3 bedrms, 3 season screen porch, modern kitchen. New metal roof, comes 'turn key' as viewed. Adjacent cottage also for sale.

Anthony vanLieshout** 457-2414 ext. 27

### KASHAGAWIGAMOG LAKE - $324,900

Vintage 1920's, 1,300 sq. ft 3 bedroom cottage with fireplace. Prime Kashagawigamog Lake (5 lake chain) lot (oldest cottages have the nicest lots) with expansive southern view, lakeside dock/deck and boathouse, clean sand shoreline with deep water, prestigious neighborhood, year round access, 1993 septic - Great opportunity !

Anthony vanLieshout** 457-2414 ext. 27



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